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tearts, inscribed bailoons and troics from a French maid are among the ideas for Valentine's Day presents suggested in to-day's Preview. The 16-page weekly arts and entertainments guide al o contains information on films, theatre, music, dance, exhibitions, sport, family outings and broadcasting in Evitain, plus the skier Konrad Bartelski's view of the course for tomorrow's men's downhill world championship race

US agents forecast Shah's fall

Documents seized from the American Embassy in Tehran and published by the Iranians show that American diplomats and intelligence agents accurately assessed the situation in the last stages of the Shab's regime. Doubts over the regime's stability appeared in secret reports two years before the revolution Page 9

Yard to restore lost £5,000

Scotland Yard is to pay £5,443, plus £1,670 in interest, to a former prisoner after conceding that the money, confiscated from him during an arrest, had been lost. No disciplinary action is to be taken.

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Amend schools Act, MPs say

The Education Act, 1944, should be amended to give the Secretary of State powers to intervene when a local authority appears to be failing to provide a nationally agreed level of education, the Commons Select Committee for Education, Science and The Arts says Page 2

Clash on mental patients' rights

A Nurses' union and a men-tal health charity clashed over a case before the European Commission of Human Rights in Strasbourg yesterday in which the Government is accused of denying menta patients' rights Page 3

Mubarak firm on Palestinians

President Mubarak of Egypt has underlined his deep differ-ences with Israel on the Pales-tinian problem. After telks with President Reagan in Washington, he said the Palestinians had a right to selfdetermination and to function as a national entity Page 8:

Speaker's ban

Referring to the use in the Commons of a four-letter word, Mr George Thomas said: "As long as I am Speaker, I shall consider that an upparliament ary expression. None of us would use it in our homes. I hope this House can maintain a better example to the country Diary, Page 12 Frank Johnson, Back Page

Rape therapy

Women who have been arracked sexually have volunteered to meet rapists in Maidstone prison, Kent, so that they can better understand the serious consequences of their Page 7

World Cup talks Mr Neil Macfarlane, the Minister for Sport, will see Spanish today to discuss the possibility of hooliganism during the World Cup finals this summer.

Alliance vote The social democrats and the

Liberals have announced they will vote with the Government on next Monday's second read-ing of the Employment Bill,

Royal tribute

Tomorrow is the thirtieth annision to the Throne. In tomorrow's Times Sir Harold Wilson, who served Her Majesty as Prime Minister during four administrations, pays a personal tribute.

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Letters: On Civil Service pay, from Mr Bernard Gottlieb, and others; Alliance leadership, from Lord Tordoff; Ulster, from Mr William McDowell. Leading articles: private and public medicine; Schmidt's economic measures. Features, pages 10, 12

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Preview Defiant Pym to repeat warnings on economy

By Julian Haviland, Political Editor

speech on Monday which she considered too pessimistic, believes that he was right to
speak as he did and means to
do so again. He has told Conservative MPs, most of whom
agree with him, it is vital that
the chances of early economic
recovery are not overplayed
by ministers.

by ministers.

His own belief is that expectations in the party and the country are too high at a time when there is world recession and low output and continuing long-established overmanning at home.

overmanning at home.

Mr Pym, Lord President of the Council and Leader of the House of Commons, is also in charge of co-ordinating Government information, and he thinks that the general impression given by his colleagues in the Government in recent speaches has been that the country's economic health is improving faster than in fact it is. He has asked for speeches to he more balanced.

The opposite view, held by some people in industry and the Treasury, is that the restoration of confidence would itself be of economic benefit and that every sign of recovery

itself be of economic benefit and that every sign of recovery must be trumpeted. This belief has certainly been reflected in many recent speeches from Mrs Margaret Thatcher, Sir Geoffrey Howe, Chancellor of the Exchequer, and others. Mr Pym's offence, in the Prime Minister's eyes, was that his Monday speech was too sombre. He said living standards could only fall in the short run, and that for some time to come we would face a struggle just to hold on to something like our present living standards. There could be ing standards. There could be no early return to full or nearly full employment, he

Asked next day by Mr Michael Foot about "this re-markable speech", the Prime. Minister said it was excellent, and quoted the most cheerful parts she could find, But Mrs Thatcher's private comments's to members of her Downing Street staff were different. She did not think much of the

Mr Francis Pym, who was severely criticized in private by the Prime Minister for a speech on Monday which she considered too pessimistic, beliance than he was might at yesterday's Cabinet meeting was there any hint of the Prime Minister's displeasure.

But Mr Pym, who reads the newspapers, yesterday showed his resentment of the accusation of pessimism, whether it was made by the Prime Minis-ter or in her name. He regards himself as a realist, He has pointed out to friends that he has made speeches in similar vein, at the Conservative Party conference and elsewhere.

He believes that the Conserthan any other party of forming the next Government, but not if they mislead the country and raise hopes too high.

and raise hopes too high.

He is strikingly sure of his ground and is pleased at the prospect that his speech and the Prime Minister's response to it may have the effect of bringing into the public arena the question which he thinks of major importance: how the country can adjust to the prospect of long-term high unemployment. ployment.

ployment.

Last night Mr Nicholas
Edwards, Secretary of State
for Wales, joined in the
debate, saying that Mr Pym
had caused a sensation by
proclaiming a few home
truths. It was considered
somaing for a Cabinet Minister to say that living
standards might fall and that
many things were outside the many things were outside the control of governments.

control of governments.

Mr Edwards said that Mr
Pym had been crinicizing the
kind of unrealistic expectation
that was aroused when Mr
Peter Shore, Opposition
spokesman on the economy,
suggested in the Commons
that the Government might
borrow £6,000m to realisee the
economy without forcing
interest rates up.

Mr Edwards also confessed

Mr Edwards also confessed to increasing optimism; he saw increasing signs of a breakthrough and the upturn in industrial production was an encouraging sign that recovery had begun.

"Though we are living finough a desperately difficult

speech, it was out of line with many many desperately difficult what Treasury ministers had period in which kiving been saying and contained unfortunate sentences.

She appears to have recognized that Mr Pvm was saying have begun to put our house something which he thought in order and we will emerge something which he thought in order and we will emerge important, but described him from this recession into a as a pessimist.

Up to last night, however, we have done in the past," he these decided and critical said.

New weapon destined for Europe

Reagan seeks funds for chemical warfare

From Nicholas Ashford, Washington, Feb 4

combshell for his European

opment of a new nerve gas for themical warfare. Although he may not formally approve the production of binary chemical weapons, the clear implication behind his request is that production will begin in the next year or so.

The reason why his request will create unease in Nato is that the weapons—like the neuron bomb—are designed primarily for use in Europe and not the United States, although the Administration insists they would not be deployed in Europe without prior consultation.

The United States is likely to try to offset another wave of anti-American sentiment in Europe by proposing more talks on a treaty to eliminate all chemical weapons in all countries. Such an approach-preparing to build weapons in the future while at the same time expressing willingness to negotiate their abolition — is similar to the American tactics on reducing medium-range missiles in Europe at the current

Geneva talks. The United States and the Soviet Union have been negotiating to prohibit the development, production and stock-piling of chemical weapons since 1976. Negotiations have also been taking place in Geneva within the disarmament

conference.

However, the view of many Nato countries is that a decision to go abead with binary chemical weapons would have a severely adverse effect on European public opinion. In particular, it is feared it could renew opposition to Nato's plan to deploy 572 Pershing 2 and eround-based cruise missiles in

Chemical warfare is an emotive subject and one that is easily exploited for propaganda purposes by the East and West. The Soviet Union, for

Among the budget proposals example, likes to point out that which President Reagan will it took the United States half send to Congress on Monday a century before it ratified the is expected to be an unwelcome 1925 Geneva protocol banning 1925 Geneva protocol banning the use of chemical agents in allies. warfare (This protocol forbids

The President is to ask first use of such weapons, but
Congress to approve a big in not their production or stockcrease in funds for the develpiling.)

President Nixon ended the production of chemical weapons in America in 1969, although large stockpiles have been retained both there and in Europe, Despite that decision small amounts of money were allocated for research and development during the sub-

sequent decade. Last year, the chemical weapons budget doubled to \$455m (£245m) and President Reagan is expected to ask for almost twice that amount. \$810m, for 1983. According to officials the Administration has projected a budget of \$1.400m for such weapons by 1984.

Congress has already voted \$23m for a binary weapons plant at Pine Bluffs in Arkansas. But American officials have assured Nato that construction of that factory does not commit the President to authorize actual production of weapons. Binary chemicals weapons

are so named because there are two primary ingredients of the nerve gas which are kept separate, and therefore safe, until use. The two chemicals become lethal when they are mixed in flight in an artillery shell or bomb. The gas comes in two forms. One, called G5, is-

colourless and odourless and is lemal within a minute when inhaled. The other, called VX, is similar but hangs in the atmosphere for days to deny an area to enemy troops. Both kill by paralysis.

The justification for going ahead with the production of new chemical weapons is that they are needed to deter Soviet use of such weapons in West Europe. It is also argued they are safer to handle than existing premixed chemical weapons, which are beginning to deteriorate.

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Train of thought: Lord McCarthy at Aslef headquarters with Mr Alan Meale, personal secretary to Mr Raymond Buckton, the union's general secretary.

'Fight to death' on railways By David Felton, Labour Reporter

Ropes that the train drivers' mion could be persuaded to give evidence to the committee of inquiry into the rail dispute were dashed last night when British Rail and the two other unions rejected a formula to gain the footplate men's cooperation.

The Associated Society of Locomotive Engineers and Firemen rold Lord McCarrhy, chairman of the inquiry, that it would only attend if British Rail made a 3 per cent payment and the inquiry discussed ways of getting the dispute back into the industry's nego-tiating mechinery.

Some industry sources were predicting that the dispute could go on for a long time. "It's now a fight to the death", one said. Earlier attempts had been

been made to persuade the train drivers' union to co-operate with an inquiry into

£10m riots

De Lorean

By Tim Jones

Belfast

based car manufacturing oper-ation, funded by more than £80m of British Government

money, is apparently foundering on the rock of the Ameri-

The company, conceived by Mr De Lorean to build a "dream car" for the American

market, has already received fe424,000 compensation out of a claim for £514,000 for fire damage caused to buildings at the plant last May when Republican feeling in West Belfast exploded after the death of Bobby Sands, the hunger striker.

striker.
The latest claim, also con-nected with that night of viol-

ence, is understood to relate

in part to damage caused by the destruction of company records relating to potential customers plus request for

compensation for loss of pro-

Interviewed by The Times in New York earlier this week Mr De Lorean said he had made a serious mistake in launching his company in Reléase.

"We had a terrible time pro-

We had a terrible time producing a management team because Englishmen would not work there. We grossly underestimated the magnitude of the problem," he said.

Company premises had been fire-bembed 140 times and com-

pany executives had been shot at by snipers many times.

It is understood that the police have no record of any complaint from a company.

executive complaining of having been shot at, and it appears that police records

show that the company was fire-bombed on only two

This does not mean that Mr

De Loreau is wrong in his

assessment for it may be that

during the two attacks 140

petrol bombs were thrown

The factory is in a neutral

zone between the Protestant

and Roman Catholic areas and

it is entirely feasible that

during the tense period of the

hunger strike shots exchanged

between the two communities

During that period more than 20,000 petrol bombs were

The company said last night

that 1,100 of its 2,600 workers

have been told their jobs finish next Friday. Their chances of finding skilled

work are slim. Other large

employers in the province such as Shorts, Markies and Har-land and Wolff are shedding

inbs because of the recession. The loss of De Lorean jobs is

a massive blow to an economy

which is already precarious.

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claim by

the rail dispute which yesterday closed the network for the twelfth time in four weeks Lord McCarthy, the inquiry

chairman, had spent two hours with the seven executive mem-bers of Aslef who repeated that they were not prepared to give evidence to the inquiry under the current terms of

Lord McCarrby last night reported that view to two colleagues on the committee and officials of the Advisory Conclization and Arbitration Service, which called the inquiry.

He then called British Rail, the National Heigen of Brillian.

He then caused bruss kan, the National Union of Railwaymen and the Transport Salaried Staffs' Association, who have all agreed to attend the inquiry to the Acas offices to explain the Aslef position. Asief objects to the inclusion in the terms of reference of the introduction of the 39hour working week and the productivity understanding on flexible rostering.

Lord McCarthy will have to move quickly if he is ot get the inquiry established because the Aslef executive will be breaking up soon after lunch-time today with members returning to their regions. Lord McCarthy said after his

meeting with the executive: "We are all extremely conscious of the need to make progress and move as swiftly as we can, but we want to get it right."

He apparently told the executive that he was not there to pressurize them into joining the inquiry but to hear in detail why the union had decided against cooperating.

British Rail again failed to run a service from Aylesbury to Marylebone, London, be-cause yesterday the NUR driver expected to take out the first

bad mounted a picket at Avies-bury in case any NUR members attempted to take trains out.
Attempts to run a limited service in the Rhondda Valley were also unsuccessful when

NUR drivers at the Treberbert depot, Mid-Glamorgan, refused to cross Aslef picket lines. The British Rallways Board

The British Rallways Board yesterday put off any decision on action against Aslef while there was still hope that the inquiry would get off the ground. British Rail will attempt to run a service on days when Aslef is not on strike although that may be difficult next week with the union plauning to hold stoppages on Sunday, Tuesday and Thursday. One option is for the board to suspend the 20,000 train drivers on Wednesday train drivers on Wednesday because a reasonable service will be impossible.

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Lucas Aerospace to shed 1,050 jobs By Business News Staff

The fabrications division of voluntary redundancy and The Northern Ireland Office is investigating a claim for more than £10m in compensa-tion for riot damage from Mr John De Lorean, whose Belfast-

Lucas Aerospace in Burnley, part of the Lucas Industries group is to make 1,050 of its 2,800 workers redundant in May.
The company blames the

world recession and cuts in defence spending which has hit the aerospace industry by re-ducing forward orders. The factory's biggest customer is Rolls-Royce, for whom it makes components for the

RB-211 engine used on Boeing 747 and Lockheed TriStar air-Burnley also makes parts for the Rolls-Royce RB-199. These are used on Tornado military aircraft flown by the Italian, West German and British air forces, which have all suffered

A statement issued by the company yesterday said: "In the recent past the company has been actively seeking to widen its markets and while a number of these projects offer potential for the future they provide no answer to the immediate problems. Further, any new contracts will have to be

early retirement. Mr Philip Asquith, chairman of the Lucas shop stewards committee, said: "We have campaigned three times in the past decade against redundancies, and won each time. We shell continue to campaign

We do not intend Burnley to become another shost town in east Lancashire. Lucas made £6m profit over the last two years, and this should have been used to help us over the lean times."

In the year to last July, Lucas Industries lost £21.4m before tax compared with profits of £41m in 1980. But the second-half showed pretax profits of £4m after charging redundancy and closure costs of £19.2, so indicating that the worst of the cutbacks were over.

There has been an upturn on the vehicle equipment side, which bore all the closure costs last year and lost £45.3m. 50 forecasts were optimistic and it was thought that the group could make about £50m this

Power men reject 7%

Leaders of Britain's 92,000 power workers rejected a 7 per cent pay increase yesterday. The offer, from the Electricity Council, was said to be worth about 5 per cent on pay, with the remainder coming from a 10 per cent rise on payments for shift and unsocial hours.
The industry's manual workers have put in a claim

for a 12 per cent pay rise with

ment.

But the claim, which
matched the rate of inflation,
is now likely to be aimed at
the miners 9.3 per cent settle-

Mr John Edmonds, General and Municipal Workers' national energy officer and secretary of the union's negotiating team, said: "We rejected the offer. There was a long argument about financial pressures on the electricity industrials of the subtraction."

new contracts will have to be wen against fierce international competition."

Discussions are being held with trade union representatives to achieve the cuts by the contracts will have to be could make about £50m this could make about £5

pay offer

improvements in holidays, a cut in the present 37-hour working week, extra pay for long service and earlier retire-

ment. Mr John Edmonds, General

dustry and the substantial pro-ductivity improvements ou members have r:ade over the last 10 years.

Surprise at MSC job switch

The Manpower Services. Commission has a new chairman to the surprise of both sides of industry. The appointment of Mr David Young, a former, adviser to Sir Keith. Joseph, is being widely interpreted as meaning that his popular predecessor, Sir Rich-ard O'Brien, whose present term of office ends in April, has been dismissed.
Mr Len Murray, TUC general secretary, said last night that Sir Richard would

chairman who has those same qualities ". A spokesman for the Confederation of British Industry would say only that the appointment is a matter for the minister—Mr Norman Tebbit, Secretary of State for Employment and was his prerogative.

be missed and that the Man-

power Services Commission

can only succeed with a

Privately, however, there was concern that the appointlisted in the 1981 Who's Who as director of the Centre for Policy Studies from 1979, was hardly a portent of a bright future for the commission. A spokesman for the Department of Employment group of the Society of Civil and Public

Servants, which represents staff in the MSC, said: "Sir



Mr David Young: Solicitor and businessman

outspoken about the unem- was being cited as one reason ployment crisis and about gov- for his replacement by Mr ernment cuts in training and Young, who is 49. services for the unemployed.

The Government obviously resents him having spoken the Universal Stores and obsirman truth and prefers to have a yes man running the MSC."

Richard has clearly been too - age-he will be 62 next week- Industry.

Mr Young, a solicitor, has been an executive with Great of a property company. He was appointed an industrial adviser at the Department of Industry Some people were also unhappy that there had been no in 1979 and is special adviser consultation on the appoint to Mr Patrick Jenkin, the prement and that Sir Richard's sent Secretary of State for

Smoking ban hotel banished by RAC

By Annabel Ferriman

A hotel has been refused a listing in the Royal Automobile Club's hotel guide because it caters only for non-smokers. The RAC, which lists hotels refusing to take dogs or chil-

refusing to take dogs of children, says it cannot accept non-smoking botels because many of its members smoke.

The Automobile Association objected to the hotel partly because it refused admission to smokers but also because it served only wholefoods—meat, fish, vegetables, egg and bread with no artificial bread with no artificial colourings or preservatives.

The AA have, however, re-lented and agreed to inspect it because its third objection, that the hotel had fewer than 12 rooms, had not stopped it listing two other hotels in the same town.

The Leahyrst Private Hotel in Bexhill-on-Sea, Sussex, has been owned and run since October by Mr Arthur Hoffman, an accountant, and his wife, Janet, a trained nurse. Mrs. Janer, a trained dusse.

Mrs. Hoffman worked as a night sister at the Royal Marsden Hospital. Surrey, one of Britain's leading cancer hospitals, and her experiences as a nurse made her a convinced non-smoker.

She persuaded her husband when they married to give up his 60 cigarettes a day which he had been smoking for 40 years, and both of them strongly dislike the smell of

smoke. Mr Hoffman is incensed by the attitude of the RAC. "They are discriminating against every non-smoker in the country. Up to now, men and women have had to put up with someone next to them puffing pipes and cigars. Now they have the chance of not having to do so, but the RAC will not hear about us."

The RAC's letter says: "The report indicates that Leahyrst Botel meets all our requirements for listing apert from the restriction on the acceptance of guests who



Automobile "The Royal Club cannot accept a hotel for listing or appointment which allows only non-smokers as guests as this would preclude its use by many of our mem-bers who are smokers."

A spokesman said yesterday that the RAC could not include the hotel because it did not have a symbol which denoted non-smoking hotel. Britain now has at least 15 non-smoking botels, according to the anti-smoking group Action on Smoking and Health

(Ash), some with such uncom-promising names as the Haven for Non-Smokers (Newquay, Cornwall) and the Non-smokers Guest House (Keswick, Cumbria). There are at least four public houses with no-smoking rules, including one opened in

Enfield, north London, in September, 1980, by Sir George Young, former Under-Secretary of State at the Department of Health and Social Security, who was keen to promote the cause of non-smokers.

Others are situated at Andover, Hampshire, Rochdale, Lancashire, and Appletreswick, Yorkshire.

The Good Food Guide, which appears in March, will have a three-page section on restaurants which discourage snoking and the British Tourist Authority has symbols for restaurants with no-smoking areas. A spokesman for Ash said: "The RAC should create an

easily recognizable symbol to use in its guidebook rather than claim it has no symbol and so cannot list the guest house. "Now that a majority of adults in the United Kingdom no longer smoke cigarettes, organizations like the RAC should respond to this change

appropriately.
"The AA has done so, Two insurance companies, Sun Life, and Guardian Royal Exchange, both have life insurance schemes with preferential premiums for non-smokers; these were initiated by the AA's insurance brokers."

To non-smokers the RAC's nolicy does seem inconsistent. Perhaps it subscribes to the W. C. Fields sentiment: "Any hotel that bates dogs and children cannot be all bad".

Kagan back

Lord Kagan, the founder and chairman of Gannex-Kagan Textiles, who recently completed a prison sentence, signed the roll and took his seat again in the House of Lords yester-

to intervene where a local authority appears to be failing to provide a nationally agreed, guaranteed basic level of educational provision, the Commons Select Committee for Education, Science and the Arts save in its report on sec. Arts says in its report on sec-ondary school curriculum and

examinations.

The report due to be published on February 16, points our that at present there is no definition of the basic statutory, provision that a local authority must make in order to comply with its duty, under Section 8 of the Act, to offer sufficient free education, suited to their age, ability and applicates, for all children of school age in its area.

The report due to be publications of the Act are doubt, it recommends the Act are doubt, it recommends the Act are doubt, it recommends the Act are authority spending on educational provision. The report is should be amended in such a next few weeks.

The aliparty committee, chaired by Mr Christopher when a nationally agreed provision appears to be at risk.

The committee believes that the MI Inspectorate for sufficient free education, suited to their age, ability and aptitudes, for all children of school age in its area.

aphtudes, for all children of school age in its area.

The Secretary of State already had powers under Sections 68 and 99 of the Act to give directions to local authorities where he was satisfied that they had acted a unreasonably in respect of a power or dury, or where they were defaulting on any dury the defaulting on any duty, the

However, the Department of ducation and Science seemed to view those sections as dangerously punitive measures, difficult to enforce in the courts, and able to be used only in the last resort.

The Education Act 1944 charge his duty to promote levels of provision and quality should be amended to give the Secretary of State clear powers the words of Section 1 of the rest with the senior chief in th Act. We also believe that these provisions in the Act were designed precisely to avoid the necessity of parents taking their problems to the courts."

The committee does not believe the department's in-terpretations of the Act are

the education provided by a local authority is inadequate, and that the onus should be on the Secretary of State to say why he does not accept the validity of such judgments in respect of his own respon-sibilities under the Act.

It recommends that legisla-

But the committee says: and Science budger and made the responsibility of the senior tions of the 1944 Act as being part of the means by which the secretary of State may dis-

flexible rostering.

There will also be increased

pressure to shut down loss-making branch lines and cut

want to stick it out and stay with rail. But the strikes have cost the freight business:

£18m aiready and will add up

Train driving from Aylesbury

met. Mr Norris admits: "We do

"This is a closed shop", Mr Norris said, "If the union calls

a strike, there is no option. We

spector, and not with the Secretary of State as at present. The Government announced

in the Commons on Wednes-day that it had decided to pub-lish HMT's latest report on the effect of the cms in local authority spending on educa-tional provision. The report is

ties were also caused by the falling number of pupils and unsuitably qualified teachers. Turning to the loss of teaching jobs that will occur over the next few years, the com-

mittee echoes Sir Keith Joseph's words, larer with-drawn, when it says that the contraction should be achieved as far as possible by getting rid of the "less effective" It recommends that legislation be introduced to put the Secretary of State's responsibility for the curriculum on that basis.

The committee also calls for HMI to be made much more independent of central government. To that end, it recommends that financial provision for it should be taken out of the Department of Education and Science budger and made

orities to draw up national criteria to enable authorities to "identify individual teach ers for redunancy on the grounds of their importance for preserving the curriculum and their effectiveness as



An Army bomb disposal expert showing the 1.006 ib bomb defused in the border village of Camlough, south Armagh. An aerial photograph behind him shows the area which would have been affected had it exploded.

Rail strikes: What the pickets say

BR nearly broke

Intensification of the strike external finance limit of 5920m ction by the Associated ociety of Locomotive Engi-eers and Firemen next week or its 1982-83 total of £950m. The limit will therefore have to be eased either by addi-tional grant or by allowing additional borrowing. However, the Government may insist on is expected to worsen British Rail's cash outflow from about film to £20m. That leaves only another two weeks before British Rail runs over its short-term borrowing limit of £100m, even tougher clawback measures ouce the dispute is over than were already envisaged by this year's very tight £950m and Government approval will be needed to extend it. cash limit. cash limit.
One obvious early casualty could be electrification of the East Coast main line from London to Newcastle for which British Rail has successfully made a case under the "Walters formula", giving productivity improvements including flexible resigning.

British Rail will be seeking a meeting with Mr David Howell, Secretary of State for Transport, to extend borrowing limits in order to pay wages
and to keep the business
going. The strike is estimated to have cost more than £70m in immediate cash so far or nearly £100m if longer term effects are taken into account. Extending the cash limit puts the Cabinet in a difficult position. On the one hand it wants British Rail, in common with other nationalized industries, to stay within external finance limits; on the other it wants the board to face up to the productivity issue in a way that successive governments have been urging it to do for

years. The latter view is con-firmed by the almost complete

isolation of Aslef at present.
In fact, the strike means that there is already no chance of British Rail hitting its 1981-82

How rotas work in Europe

With Italian drivers a great a exception, worse even than eig Aslef, other European countries employ flexible rostering for train drivers, the system at the centre of the dispute strain drivers. Rail and the dispute of the dispute

hours one day he may work

a driver to spend half his eight-hour shift unproductively waiting for the next train.

British Rail maintains that flexible rostering would be a step towards improving pro-ductivity. The following is an outline of the work pattern for

flexible rostering as accepted. Drivers work on average four hours' overtime a week for a pay packet of £140. It is hard to estimate how much of an eight hour shift is spent productively, but it is anywhere between three and six hours on average. There are two tmions for rail drivers with about 97 per cent of the 26,000 drivers members of Aslef.

France: 39-hour morking

France: 39-hour working

other weeks. Most drivers work an eight-hour day with a maxi-mum of 12 hours. Drivers belong to three unions. Trains which travel at speeds exceeding 140kph have two drivers. Otherwise one man in cab.

Mr Kenneth Livingstone, leader of the Greater London Council, and Mr Ted Knight, leader of Lambeth council, in a front-page statement in Labour Herald, of which they are editors, said the Bishop's Stortford pact was justifiably worrying the party's rank and file and had added to confusion among the left. Switzerland: 44-hour working week. There is very little overtime, except in exceptional circumstances. If a driver works more than 10 hours day he is compensated with day he is compensated with time off and extra pay. The maximum overtime for which there is payment is 150 hours a year. Drivers spend about two-thirds of their time pro-

whosever agreement was reached there it has no authority or validity in the movement. There can be no compromise with the right-wing on questions of policy or the winch-taining which were started by the leadership last year. Italy: The railway workers' Italy: The ratiway workers union makes no secret of low comparative productivity. All railway workers are supposed to work a 40-hour week. An engine driver's everage week, however, is under 30 hours because of difficulty in organizing shifts. Lauditations included a ben on two consecutive witch shifts and a king of

newspaper described in a lead-ing article as extraordinary, mortgages and other financial As the parliamentary repre-sentatives of our party, the

commitments."

Another said: "The feeling of most men is that they would rather do without the 3 per cent than accept flexible rostering. We have had no complaints from the membership about the strike. They are with it to the end."

Another said: "I do not think the public really knows what this dispute is about. We have people constantly coming to us asking exactly this."

Even under the existing

"Even under the existing system we can have arranged to take the wife out knowing we were off duty at 8 pm and when we come off, we discover we are on duty again from 2 am next day to 10 am. The selfa is gitting there waiting wife is sitting there waiting to be taken out."

One man tried to explain

day. They would owe us a day in hen of the bank holiday, but under their new flexible rostering system we would only be used six hours and that is one reason why we want to maintain the guaranteed day."

of something going on down South but it does not apply at Doncaster. The trouble is they get a terbush and paint everybody the same from one end of the country to the other."

What then is the answer?
To get rid of inefficient management? "Now you are genting nearer to it", one said.

The subsequent denigration of management was interrupted by one of the pickets who suggested: "If they are not careful there will be no drivers left. There were 90,000 in 1955. There are now 24,000 feet high rubbish bins, 50 yards from the station entrance, they discuss the latest moves in the and they say any settlement dispute, joke among themselves and drink tea provided by NUR who is going to rum all these trains.?

From time to time people. stop to hand over money in support of the strike. In common with most trade unionists in dispute the Dou-caster men are shy about giv-ing their names. One grey-haired man said: "I would never known the men more determined. The members are 100 per cent behind the strike. on an all out strike tomorrow ing their names. One grey—It is a pity because nobody haired man said: "I would likes kicking the public in the have preferred strong action teeth but we have no elternative in the outset but I suppose tive in this dispute. The rail-

State homes Livingstone | project for elderly

Freedom to wed for

step-parents sought

Liberal peer, yesterday miro-

which would make it unneces-sary for couples who stand in the relazionship of step parents

and step-children to go through

the expensive procedure of obraining an Act of Parliament

to authorize their marriage.

Two such applications for personal Bills are before the

ords and are due for exam-

ination by the Personal Bills Committe (chairman, Lord Aberdare) on February 16. In

the past couples who have been

compelled to apply for such Bills have said that it costs up

Bills are necessary because such marriages are debarred by what are known as the

prohibited degrees, deriving ecclesiastical law from the

Book of Levinicus, set out in the Marriage Act, 1949. The couples need a separate Act of

from the law.
Lord Lloyd, who is a barrister, has wide support for his
proposed Bill which would

table couples to apply for leave to marry to the Family Division of the High Court or

to any county court in the jurisdiction of which either

party to the marriage resides. Before granting leave to marry, the Bill states that the

mary, the on states that the field on three counts: that neither party had by his or her conduct caused or count-

wants to

end truce-

The Labour Party's measy peace was jolted sharply yesterday with a demand from the far-left that the Bishop's Stortford truce should be

Mr Kenneth Livingstone,

PLP should have considered it their duty to use their position

to make party policy known to the House and to the public at

for repudication of the truce as unrepresentative. The full

every struggle against the Government. It must stand alongside the train drivers and

the men striking against redun-

yesterday as a defence and disarmament spokesman under Mr. John Silkin (our Political Staff writes). He replaces Mr. Peter Snape who moves to the Home Affairs years under Mr. Day Homes affairs years under Mr.

Roy Hattersley, in place of Mr George Conningham, who sits

Lord Lloyd of Kilgerran, a buted to the cause of a dis-

solution of any previous mar-riage of the other party; that at no time prior to the appli-cation had the parties lived together in a family during the minority of the stepchild; and

that the intended marriage is for the welfare of the parties concerned.

The court would also have

to take account of various circumstances, including the

age of the parties; the income

earning capacity, property and other financial interests of the parties; the financial needs and obligations of the parties

after marriage; and the physical or mental disability of

either party.
A petition for another Bill that is to come before the

Lords committee concerns a man's appeal to be declared the father of an illegitimate

child, a boy aged 6. His claim has been the subject of pre-

vious legal proceedings Lord Harmar-Nicholls; Conservative peer, said yeste

day that there was a danger that personal Bills of this kind could be used to get publicity. He said he would write to the Lords Procedure Commit-see and the authorities of the

House to see if some safeguards could be introduced.

The purpose of the committee proceedings on February
16 is to decide whether the
Bills should be allowed to
proceed Each Bill, if it goes
ahead, will need a spousor in
both Houses.

The first experiment in State The first experiment in State run nursing homes for the elderly was announced yester day, by Mr Norman Fowler, Secretary of State for Social Services as part of a new initiative to move old people out of long-stay genatric wards into small local units so that they can be close to family and friends.

As a start three homes will

has a start, three homes will be essablished, at Fleetwood, Portsmouth and Sheffield, at a cost of film with an annual running cost of £720,000. Two of the homes will open in the next 18 months and the third shortly afterwards.

next 18 months and the taird shortly afterwards.
Each home is expected to house about 30 old people and will be run as part of the National Health Service. They will be financed jointly by the health authorities and the Department of Health.

Behind the attack is the farleft's anger at Mr Michael
Foot, the Shadow Cabiner and
Labour MPs. for their rejucto the train drivers in dispute
with Brinish Rail.

Adthough Labour's national
executive committee passed a
resolution last week backing
the Associated Society of Locomotive Engineers and Firemen,
the Parliamentary Labour Party
agreed with a shadow cabiner
proposal not to press for a
debate, a decision which the
newspaper described in a leading article would be proposing a code of

A consultative document would be proposing a code of practice which local authorities might apply to encourage improvement in conditions.

Mr. Fowler also announced increased grants to voluntary organizations helping the elderly Aiready £300,000 had ben allocated tims year, and there would now be an additional £100,000 to organizations, such as Age Concern, the Centre for Policy on Ageing, Contact, which provided companionship for elderly house bound people, and to the Employment Fellowship.

Two other proposals an nounced by Mr Powler were

large."

After seeing a copy of Labour Heruld yesterday, Mr Foot said he regarded its call endorsement of the agreement by the NEC last week was far more significant, he said: He was still convinced that a Commons: debate would not help to settle the rail dispute. in their statement Mr Living-stone and Mr Knight said that Labour must take sides with

Employment Fellowship.
Two other proposals announced by Mr Powler were arrangements to improve financial and policy accountability in the NHS and additional resources of £10m, planned for next year, for joint financing of various projects by the NHS and voluntary organizations.

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Frank Johnson, back page

END OF LINE FOR DREADNOUGHT

HMS Dreadnought, Britain's oldest nuclear-powered sub-marine will be taken our of service later this year after 19 years with the fleet (Henry Sanhope writes). The 4,000 ton submarine is

at Chatham dockyard for work on its nuclear reactor's cooling

as an independent after resign- on its nuclear reading the Labour whip last year. system. Journalists in jobs plea

The National Union of Journal of redundancy programme in naises has asked Mr Norman effect. On The Sunday Times Tebbit, Secretary of State for where 10 iournalists are member Times Newspapers was been agreed with the editor, in breach of employment protein in preach of employment protein in the spekesman said. in breach of employment pro-tection legislation in its plans The union has also asked Mr to reduce the editorial staffs of The Times and The Sunday

Mr Kenneth Ashton, general secretary, has written to the minister claiming that the company did not inform the anion of the impending cuts of 35 journalists jobs on the two newspapers, which it believes could be a breach of the Einployment Protection Act, 1975.
A spokesman for the company said Mr Gerald Long, managing director of TNL, would be replying to a letter he had received from Mr Ashton, after taking advice on various legal questions. He said the company was not in-volved in a redundancy pro-gramme for journalists but the editors of the new necessaries. editors of the two newspapers had been asked to assess their

staffing needs.

The company did not believe it had an obligation to consult the union because there was

By Our Labour Staff

The union has also asked Mr
Teibhir if he was informed of
what it sees as planned redundancies because NUJ officials
believe that the Act requires
companies to give the minister
30 days' notice of redundancies
involving ten or more people. one of the sanctions available to Mr Tebbit, if there have been breaches of the relevant sections of the Act, would be to reduce by 10 per cent the company's rebate from the Redundancy Faymest fund which belos companies to off. which helps companies to off-set the cost of redundancies. Mr Ashova has asked Mr

Science report

Bent light discovery puzzles scientists

By Pearce Wright Science Editor

Astronomers have dis-covered a third gravitational lens, a place in the universe in which light from a distant galaxy or other object is bent as it passes through a strong gravitational field. Scientists cannot understand why more have not been found.

Although the effect was Although the effect was predicted by Einstein in 1936, it was not observed until 1979. The latest discovery was made by Dr Daniel Weedman of Pennsylvania State University and Dr Ray Weymann of the University of Arizona. They identified the lens with the 3.6-metre telescope at the Mauna Kea the lens with the Mauna Kea observatory in Hawaii, and confirmed the existence of the phenomenon with the special 4-metre multiple mirror telescope at the Kitt Park Mercane Observatory Peak National Observatory,

Pear National Conservatory, Arizona.

A gravitational lens is recognized by the curious image it leaves on a photographic plate recording observations of a small section of the sky. The image shows two distinct but identical objects extremely close together. Doctors Weedman and Weymann found such a together. Docters Weedman and Weymann found such a pair of images after the camera on the telescope had taken a long exposure aicture of two quasar objects with magnitudes of approximately 19.5 and 21.

A 21st magnitude star is about one million fimes fainter than that which can be seen unaided by the human eye; on a clear night the eye can see a star as faint

human eye; on a clear night the eye can see a star as faint as the sixth magnitude. The explanation for the twin image is that before reaching an observer, the light from the quasar is solid by some other massive object through either side of the gravitational source, reaches the observer from two slightly different directions to give the impression that two objects exist.

In a report to the Ameri-can Astronomical Society at the weekend, the astrono-mers express puzzlement. They say that the survey techniques used to discover this object have located over 1,000 quasars, and they would expect the effect of closely matched pairs to be found more often

To prove conclusively that they have found a gravita-tional lens, a search is to be made for the material that is

CHANGING WITH TIMES'

The Western Daily Press, the regional morning news-paper of the West country, was formally benished from the shelf of Avon's 57 branch libraries yesterday and replaced by The Times.

The Labour controlled county council voted by 37 to 28 to order The Times instead, at an order The Times instead, at an additional cost each year of more than £1,000, ignoring allegations from the regional newspaper that the move would be "cheag political spite—a cowardly way of avoiding criticism."

In a leading article, The Western Daily Press, which sells 20,000 copies in Avon, ad-imized that it was a regular crisic of the Labour authority but said that *The Times*, whatever its merits, did not provide a local service of sport, news, advertising or regional com-ment.

The community leisure com-

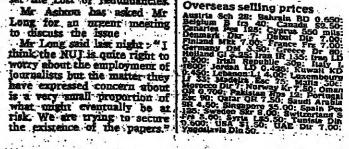
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The community leisure committee which recommended that the full council replace The Western Daily Press, said that The Times contained a great deal of "factual information and rational reporting", and its provision was the best way to broaden the scope of information available to the Avon public.

QUICK CHANGES AT TOP OF BBC The BBCs rop jobs switch abnounced last month will be

announced last month will be completed soon after Easter. Sir Ian Trethowan, directorgeneral, said yesterday. Mr Bill Conton, deputy managing director, relevision, becomes manefactely director of development and joins the board of management. of management.
From April 13, Mr Alasdair
Milne, director-general designate, moves to Broadcasting
House from the Television
Centre Mr Richard Francis (managing director, radio), Mr Aubrey, Singer (managing director, television), Mr Alan Protheroe (assistant director-general) and Mr Michael Checkland (director of re-sources, television) take up their new posts on the same date.

CORRECTION Derek Dougan was a Northern Ireland nor a Scottish football international, as stated in a report



Moderates: Confident of victory

From Paul Routledge Labour Editor, Aylesbury

The quiet footplatemen of Aylesbury, Buckinghamshire, spoke in defence of their picketing that frustrated British Rail's second attempt to run passenger services to London during yesterday's rail strike.

Still blinking in the concentrated glare of media attention focused on one of the least militant branches of the Associated Society of Locomtive Engineers and Firemen, they insisted that they would win the drawnout dispute over It is clearly this issue that of us if they increase the has brought out the 21 men at number of trains."

And the state of the state o

Aylesbury, rather than British Rail's refusal to pay a 3 per Aylesbury, rather than British Rail's refusal to pay a 3 per cent wage rise.

Until this dispute, these Aslef members were, if anything, notorious for their moderation rather than their willingness to take industrial action. They were rebuked by union head office for refusing to join in the TUC *day of action " on May 1, 1980.

Mr Roy Norris, aged 54, a chubby, talkative driver, as flat 40 hours it falls to £78 net.

action. They were rebuked by union head office for refusing to join in the TUC "day of action" on May 1, 1980.

Mr Roy Norris, aged 54, a chubby, talkative driver, argued: "I am 100 per cent behind the union on this issue. If they were calling a purely political strike, I would be at work. But this has to do with us. We are the losers." argued: "I am 100 per cent behind the union on this issue. If they were calling a purely political strike, I would be at work. But this has to do with us. We are the losers." His colleague, Mr Ernie Little, aged 47, said: "There is no money here; even management admitted that two years ago."

Mr Norris admits: "We do not like this sort of business really. It is not doing us any good. It is a pity that they cannot sit down and agree something—because that is how it will end." He is fairly confident that the dispute will be determined in Asle's favour. "The railway will have to give in" he said

agement admitted that two years ago."

Mir Alf Bryant, branch secretary for the last decade, aged 45, was the picket whose "don't cross" request sent a National Union of Railwaymen driver home on Wednesday, when British Rail first tried to introduce a service on an Aslef strike day. He was back on the picket line vesterday, when the strike ago of the color of the strike ago. "This is a closed shop." Mr picket line yesterday, when three of the four NUR drivers were "too ill" to report for duty. By lunchtime, British Rail abandoned its plans to run five have to come out."
The three drivers who agreed communter services to and from Marylebone. to talk to The Times yesterday all thought there was in Doncaster and they wanted something more to British a full-blooded strike which.

Mr Breant insisted that any Mr Bryant insisted that the productivity proposed than the existing package of change and they believed that not work at this depot—not with the type of service we operate. And they placed that the management would eventually seek split shifts—" making us come to work to be a come to be a c operate. And they already have for one day's pay ".

flexible rostering, and can Pianed up in the drivers' flexible rostering and can diagram us for 8 hours and 55 diagram us for 8 hours and 55 signing-on office on the plat-minutes. They can get more out form at Aylesbury is a copy of

Associated Society of Loco-motive Engineers and Firemen (Aslef).

A survey by The Times of four other European countries showed that France had the most flexible system with train drivers productively employed for between four and nine hours a day in a 39-hour working week.
If a driver works for five

10 the next to compensate. Asief has rejected a British Rail proposal for working between seven and nine hours back further on service levels in commuter and inter-City passenger business.

Freight services could be affected also, although one of the treattening aspects of the dispute is the widespread assurances from British Rail's big freight customers that they want to stick it our and ear hours a day and in Switzen.

Marylebone yesterday as BR's plan to run strike-breaking trains failed again.

guards were unhappy about the agreement on changes in work-ing patterns agreed on their behalf by NUR leaders.

The men insisted they were already flexible in their artitude to work. "We book on at any minute of the day or night, as we are required by management", Mr Little said." All they do is give no sight.

"All they do is give us eight hours work. And this is what we are prepared to do."

Militants:

Prefer all

out strike

From Ronald Kershaw Boneaster

The 340 members of the Don-

caster branch of the Associated

Society of Locomotive En-

gineers and Firemen never

wanted the kind of strike in

which they are now taking part.

They rarely do things by half

a full-blooded strike which, they claim, would have ended

the dispute a few weeks ago. They are prepared to embark on an all out strike tomorrow

with young hotheads tearing you have to round distributing militant younger end

the NUR union journal which details two votes of "no confidence" in the union's general secretary. Mr Sidney Weighell by branches at Stockport and Gravesend. The drivers said yesterday that many of the stockport were universely that many of the stockport and the controls of one's glad to have at the controls of one's express.

Britain: Basic working week of 40 hours, although that would be reduced to 39 if flexible rostering is accepted.

Drivers work no oversime on principle because extra hours lead to loss of jobs, the union of the union of the union of the union of duty compensated with ganking shifts. Limitations in the only exception inclining being shifts. Limitations in or duty compensated with ganking shifts. Limitations in which the only exception inclining being shifts. Limitations in which the only exception inclining being shifts and a limit of the only exception inclining being shifts. Limitations in controls the new consecutive work on average eight hours advance four to six months in advance controls for a single fourney and eight and three quarter to allow long-term planning of timestables. In theory efficient controls for a return fourney. Oversume for train drivers in busy most of his shift.

Although no average can be given for train drivers in working week. The maximum two hours a day at the controls.

on the picket line at Doncaster railway station were in their forties and fifties, greying rather tranquil people, the kind of men one is glad to have at the controls of one's express train. Among them one detected a quiet confidence that they were right, the British Railways Board was wrong and a grim determing-

wrong and a grim determina-tion to prove their point.

They only wanted an all out

strike because it would have meant a short dispute causing least pain to employees, passengers and industry and told their national executive so in a resolution at the outbreak of hostilisies

They gather daily, covering each 24 hours in what is a token picket. Only two footplatemen at Doncaster are in the National Union of Railwaymen and they do not try to cross the picket line. The men started picketing in front of the cration main antrance but here

station main entrance but have

been moved twice because of

complaints about their brazier which they believe are management inspired. At their third location, surrounded by five feet high rubbish bins, 50 yards

ductively.

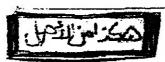
the complicated business of days in lieu. "Take Good Fri-

The men were aggrieved by the allegations of fiddling made by two young members of Aslef last week. One said: "They have obviously had a bir

In the Doncaster area there are many "merrygoround" trains feeding power stations with coal. One picket said: "If they are going to alter them so we can run on a seven-hour diagram I should like to see it. They will not do it. It is not possible because trains never run the same two days together."

What then is the answer?

The last word went to Mr David Court, Doncaster branch secretary of Aslef: "I have ways board has brought this on itself."



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Union clash with charity over mental patients

A dispute flared yesterday between a nurses' union and Oakwood hospital, in Kent, to MiND, the mental health charity, over a case to be be transferred, was short of heard in Strasbourg today in which the Government again stands accused of denying rights to mental patients,

The Confederation of Recause of Section 141 his

rights to mental patients, The Confederation The Confederation of Because of Section 141 his Health Service Employees lawyers were prevented from (Cohse), which represents taking legal action against hundreds of psychiatric nurses, yesterday accused MIND of making serious errors in the publicity material it issued about the case.

Mr Albert Spanswick, the union's general secretary, challenged the charity to were increased and that he

challenged the charity to retract its statements "otherwise the quality of their entire evidence in support of their case must be appeared.

their case must be open to serious doubt".

The case, which will be heard by the European Commission of Human Rights, concerns the right of The union is objecting to mental patients to sue doc-tors and nurses over detention, brutality or, indeed, anything. At present they are prevented by law from doing so unless they can show that said yesterday there was a person acted in had faith never a national ban, simply and without reasonable care, advice to the effect that when and unless they can get the a patient constituted a danger permission of a High Court to himself and others because

dge.

of a lack of resources
MIND hopes to change members should refuse to that. Cohse, the union, how-ever, believes that staff must that. Cohse, the union, however, believes that staff must "MIND cannot understand be protected from violent the concern of staff over the

patients and that Section 141
of the Mental Health Act
should not be weakened.
The Government seems to
agree with the union and has
resisted strong pressure from
the charity, which campaigns
for patients' rights, to change
the law in amending legis.

The Concern of staff over the
possible consequences of
sufficient facilities", he said.

"In 1980 my union took 126
cases of horrifying violence
inflicted upon staff to the
the law in amending legis.

Mr. Simon Hebdisch and the law in amending legis-lation going through Parlia-

ment.
Today's case concerns Mr hairs. "We have always John Ashingdone, a patient acknowledged the difficult who was kept in Broadmoor conditions in which nurses special hospital for two extra work and the effects of years because local Cohse understaffing, which was branches were refusing or precisely why we took action against the area health auththreatening to refuse to nurse patients subject to restriction orders.

Hospital tries the Star Trek technique

From Pearce Wright Science Editor, Oxford

Followers of television's Star Trek programme are used to seeing the doctor on the spaceship Enterprise instantly diagnosing some instantly diagnosing some mysterious disease, by discovering a deficiency or excess of the body's chemistry from a hand-held microcomputer with which he scans the patient.

That idea has moved from fiction into fact with the development of a machine which can identify the imbalance of biochemicals in the body without exploratory surgery, blood analysis or, indeed without touching the patient at all.

The apparatus being tested at the Radcliffe hospital, Oxford, weighs ten hundred-weight, yet it measures incredibly tiny magnetic fields of individual atoms within separate cells of a on Human Rights.

The union is objecting to the claim by MIND that the union was operating "a total ban" on the transfer of special hospital patients to local hospitals. Mr Spanswick said yesterday there was never a national ban, simply white transfer was never as national ban, simply white transfer was never a national ban, simply white transfer was never as national ban, simply was not as the claim of the claim and the claim of the claim o particular organ in the body. Within a minute the Topical Magnetic Resonant
machine produces a biochemical assay that is
obtained now only from
analysing a tissue specimen
in a laboratory

in a laboratory.

The device is a long way from providing the instant total body chemistry picture achieved in fiction. But it is revealing deficiencies in the tissues of patients suffering from various muscle diseases and provides information to control the treatment of kidney failures, diabetis and

thyroid deficiencies.

A more powerful version will be ready by the end of the year to allow examinations of the brain.

They unravelled the struc-ture and function of chemi-cals involved in different processes at work in parts of the body.

The present machine in clinical use cost about clinical use cost about £250,000 and the larger version, for scanning the whole body, about £350,000. against the area health auth-ority and the department, The equipment is made by the Oxford Instrument Com-



Peter Jay, chairman of TV/AM which will provide the independent television breakfast service from early 1983, with a model of the studios on the site near the Regent's Canal at Camden Town, London, yesterday.

Murray's pensions plea

By Lorna Bourke

Pension fund managers major financial institutions. Should invest more money in British industries, Mr Len half of 1979, pension funds Murray, general secretary of the TUC, said at a pensions conference yesterday.

"The nation's pension funds must bear at least part of the blame for the most rapid period of de-industrialization in Britain's history", he said. "Since abolition of indeed the funds themselves exchange controls in October have a common interest in 1979 there has been a flood or reviving the British econor of overseas investment by the omy," he said.

The Tebbit Bill

TUC battle lines in disarray

By Paul Routledge, Labour Editor

One simple test must be applied to the trade union leaders on all sides of the labour movement who have exploded so belligerently about the Government's latest employment-law reforms: can they provide effective opposition?

lt is the Cabinet's calculated gamble that they cannot, and that both Mr James Prior's 1980 Employment Act and Mr Norman Tebbit's Bill now embarking on its parliamentary passage will remain on the statute book

paid off. The changes have not wrought havoc on the scale of the ill-fated 1971 Industrial Relations Act. There are two main reasons for this: the recession bas done most of the work that might otherwise have been appropriated to the languages and missisted on it going into policy pot.

This political response will now be considered, along entrusted to the lawyers; and the legislation did not offer such a handy lever for opposition as state regis-tration of the unions did under the Heath laws.

The TUC has organized a successful boycott of state funds for secret ballots on industrial action and the election of union leaders. But it has failed to generate any tangible or widespread sense of grievance on the shop

Mr Tebbit's latest set of proposals brought forth a predictable tirade of abuse but few practical proposals to prevent their application. The TUC seeks an extended boycott to take in the suggestion that there should be periodic testing of employees opinion on existing closed shops and Govern-ment-funded ballots on wage

offers.

It seems likely that it will succeed in bolding the line on this form of non cooperation; the TUC carthorse is never more successful than when dragging its feet for a purpose. But on the wider political and economic front, the TUC's show of unity is a shaky facade, and it crumbled when put to the test last week.

The mighty Transport and under-unionized sectors such mouth car General Workers wants the as white-collar employment, members.

trade union movement to pull could Mr Terry Duffy, pres-out of the National Economic dent of the engineering Development Council and the workers, deliver his memother myriad tripartite bodies bers, as he appeared to on which TUC representathreaten in Sunday's Weekon which TUC representatives sit down with the continuous the full sit down with the continuous sit dow

Had those lay delegates followed the advice of their leaders (they did not) the floodgates would have opened for widespread defiance of the Congress antagonism against Mr. Priorie now be considered, along with various proposals for "national" strikes, when the TUC Employment Committee reconvenes on February 18 to onism against Mr Prior's legislation. It therefore requires a major effort of imagination to fit the engineering workers into the harddiscuss what industrial action line posture of the left.

discuss what industrial action may be called in the event of a group of workers coming under threat from the Tebbit laws. The view of Mr David Basnett's General and Municipal Workers' Union and Behind the televised line up of union rhetoric lies a certainty of purpose overlaid by an uncertainty over strat-egy. As old-fashioned custod-ians of their members' subsome others is that stoppages should be called right across scriptions, union leaders know what they want to do an industry in response to such "attacks." They want but cannot yet agree how to do it. It is unlikely that they the TUC to have some do it. It is unlikely that they coordination responsibility in calling such disputes. Congress House staff are unhappy at this prospect, arguing that TUC central funds could be rut at rick. could be put at risk.
There is also an organizathreat to their funds.

tional consideration. It would probably not be beyond the bounds of rank-and-file militancy for the TGWU to deliver a national dock strike trade unionists from exercise their respections. deliver a national Gock strike if there is any repetition of cases such as the jailing of the "Pentonville Five" dockers in 1972 for contempt of previous Tory legislation and its institutions. A stoppage of train drivers, or miners, or steel process workers or industrial action would be printworkers may also be efective". So far, it is iawprintworkers may also be efective". So far, it is jaw-envisaged in such circum- jaw. It will be next winter stances.

But quite apart from the under-unionized sectors such before the TUC barons at present leading with their mouth can follow with their

Milk banks for babies defended

From Our Correspondent

A leading consultant in child medicine has rejected allegations that premature habies may die if they are fed from breast-milk banks.

Claims were made in The Lancet, that milk given by nothers and stored in milk banks could cause fatal infections if given to very small babies. Dr David Baum is

honorary consultant in pae-diatrics at the Radcliffe Hospital, Oxford, where he relies on the hospital's own milk bank to feed hundreds of premature babies each

Dr Baum, who was ap-pointed by Oxford University to specialize and research in child medicine, rejects the allegations about breast milk banks, which appeared in a letter to The Lancet from Dr Herbert Barrie, a consultant puediatrician at the Charing Cross Hospital, London.

Dr Barrie likened instances of giving babies other mother's milk to giving blood transfusions. He claims that some babies may be incom-patible to different milk. Dr Baum replies: "This Dr Baum replies: comparison is particularly

He says that "Dr Barrie has not helped the pro-gression towards a sounder basis in the care of low-birth

The result of the Irish General election could hinge on a "presidential" style television debate between the

party leaders, which is planned to be broadcast two

With less than two weeks before polling, and with all three parties just beginning

their campaigns, there are clear indications that the

runaway victory predicted

for Fianna Fail may not

Early canvassing returns suggest that a considerable number of the nation's 2.2

million electorate are "don't

knows', and there are also indications that the image of

Mr Charles Haughey, Leader

of the Opposition, is not helping the Fianna Fail

The latest opinion polls

provide a boost for the Fine

Gael - Labour coalition, as

Dr Garret FitzGerald's per-

sonal popularity continues to

materialize.

leadership.

days before polling day.

Motorway protest appeal fails

into orders and schemes approved for the M25 motorway between Wisley and Leatherhead, failed in the Court of Appeal yesterday.

Mr Simon Hebditch, an assistant director of MIND, said the union was splitting

and not the union."

Dismissing appeals by two local objectors, Mr Reginald both of Ashtead, Lord Den-ning, Master of the Rolls, said he had great sympathy for them but their case was not well-founded in law.

The objectors claimed that a public inquiry in 1978 into side-road orders and computsory purchase orders for the land needed was a "complete procedural mess-up".

They appealed against the dismissal of a previous application by Mr Mayes, a chartered electrical engineer and chairman of the Leatherhead-Ashtead Motorway Protest Group, by Mr Justice

Hodgson last July. Mr R. A. Sears, QC, for the tion of the protestors, argued that the years ago. "I would holding that there had been a breach of natural justice by tion is when inspector's refusal to lock was en the inspector's refusal to lock was entitled to open the hear evidence and admissions second inquiry for the objection she made at the first to me",

Leatherhead would diminish applies in our particular or destroy the amenities case."

TV debate could decide result

From Richard Ford, Dublin

By Frances Gibb

An attempt to force the There had been a good deal Secretary of State for Transof upset and disturbance port to order a fresh inquiry when the public inquiry into when the public inquiry into the side road orders opened in May, 1978, and the inspector had been unable to proceed with the inquiry, he

> The inspector sought guidance from Mr William Rodgers, then Secretary of State for Transport, who said a reconsideration of the route was unnecessary. The inspector then said he would hear evidence only on the issue which had arisen since June, 1978. It was that decision which was the subject of the appeal.

Lord Denning said the minister was entitled not to consider such objections and could tell the inspector beforehand that he was not going to do so. He cited the case brought

by Miss Lesley Lovelock against the North-east section of the motorway two

"I would adhere to what I said then...the main ques-tion is whether Miss Loveabout the line of the motor- tion she made at the first way between Wisley and inquiry. It seems to me", Leatherhead or on exhaust Lord Denning said, "that if a pollution.

Giving judgement, Lord a first inquiry the inspector

Denning said that local would be quite entitled to
people felt that the M25 rule that we can't go into
section between Ashtead and that again. It seems that that

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for Mr Haughey, who is fighting for his political survival. Even before the election date was announced In a survey of 306 farmers owning more than 30 acres of land conducted last Saturday, Dr FitzGerald's personal rating based on satisfaction with his performance, stood at 76 per cent, compared with 57

IRISH

ELECTION hey's personal rating had fallen from 44 per cent to 22

Paradoxically, 60 per cent of those polled thought Fianna Fail would form the

next government, irrespec-tive of their own preferences. Fine Gael depends on the Labour Party maintaining its 15 seats. The prospects this time for Labour are looking increasingly bad as internal dissent continues to hamper their electoral effort.

Mr Brendan Halligan,
Labour's former general
secretary and one of the

party's leading anti-coalitionists, who was to have run in Dublin seat, has decided not to stand. He is among those who are seriously dissatisfied with Mr Michael O'Leary, the party leader, and the way he increase and is seen by Fine Gaels strategists to be one of handled the argument last their great assets. The find-week over whether the party ings make gloomy reading should have a joint strategy for Mr Hanghey who is

campaign.
The party's problems have also increased with the there were criticisms of his retirement from politics of two scnior members, Mr Brendan Corish and Mr James Tully, the former Minister of Defence. In working-class constituencies, the harsh measures in the Budget have increased pressure on Labour candidates.

Fail and Fine Gael are forgoing the balloons, stick-ers, and bands that marked the last campaign.

Fianna Fail is expected to spend about £1m on the campaign and Mr Haughey is using a helicopter. Fine Gael expect to spend £500,000, and Dr FitzGerald is using a campaign bus campaign bus. Public enquiry urged

into boys homes ☐ Pressure is growing in Northern Ireland for a public

inquiry into why homosexual offences at boy's homes in Belfast went undetected for nearly 20 years (the Press Association reports). A government committee

of inquiry is due to start hearing evidence next Monday, but politicians and health officials are unhappy with the terms of reference. They want the case to be heard in public instead of behind closed doors, with legal representation for the

The committee is headed by Mr Stephen McConagle, a former Ombudsman for Northern Ireland. The Northern inquiry, which comes after the imprisonent of five men in the city last December for sex offences at boys' homes, has been ordered by Mr James Prior, Secretary of State for Northern Ireland. A team of detectives led by

If you choose to cash in the new Mr John Whiteside, Assistant Chief Constable of the RUC, per cent, compared with 3/ Faced with debts from last is continuing its own investi-election last May. Mr Haug- year's campaign, both Fianna gations into the affair.

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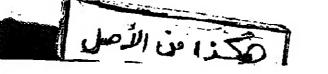
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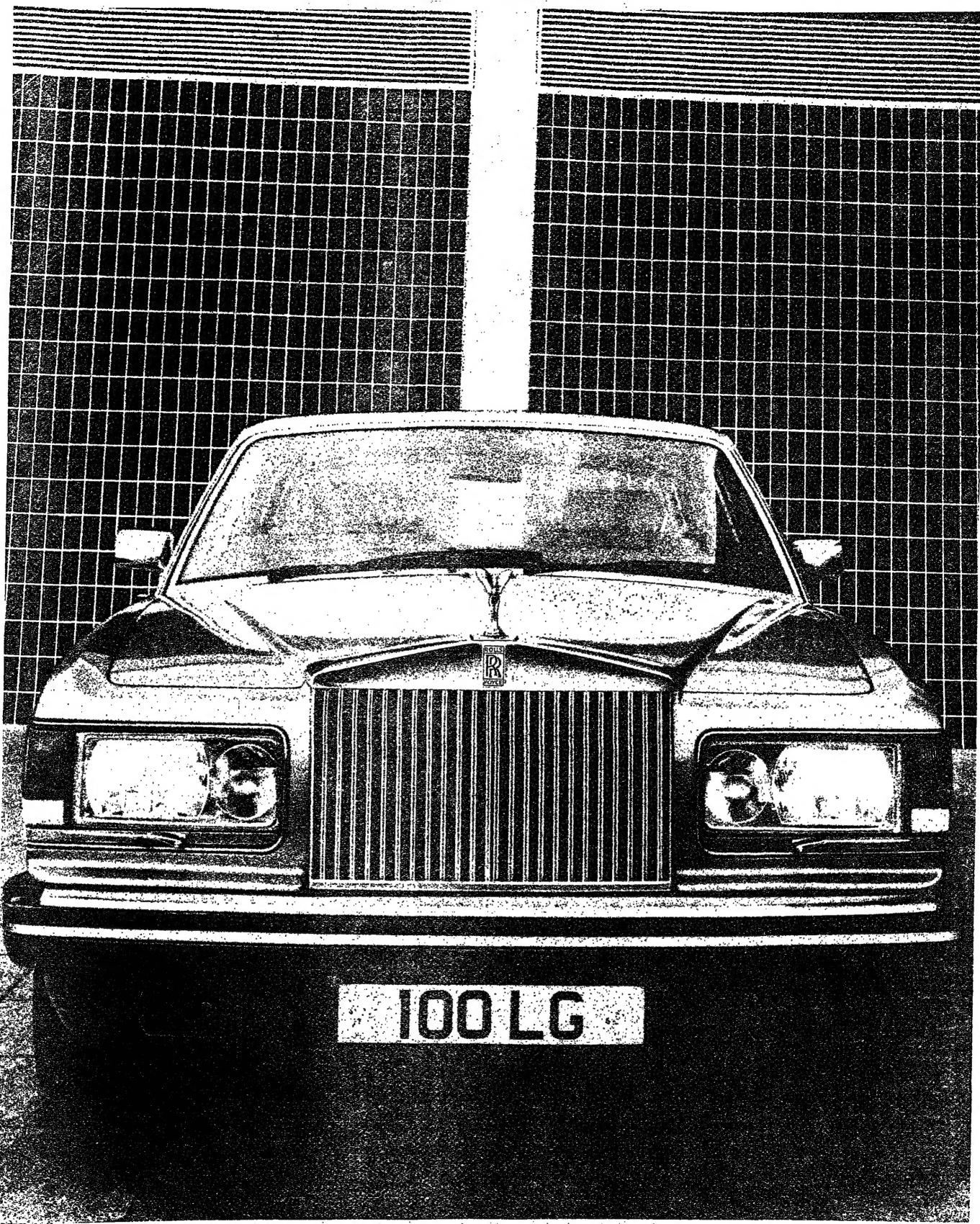
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SCARMAN REPORT

It was wrong to suggest that special measures to promote equality of opportunity for minorities would give some people an unfair advantage over the rest of the community, Lord Beistead, Under Secretary of State, Home Office, said in a debate on the Scarman report on the Brixton riots.

the Brixton riots.

We are not (he said) dealing with reverse discrimination which would involve such matstandards of recruitment for certain occupations. What is needed is simply to ensure equality of opportunities. He said that in the report there

was no excuse for street crimes and mugging and no question of impeding the police in their task of dealing with crime. Lord Scarman had not hesitated to describe the disorders as riots.

The work of the police needed to be reinforced by the support of the community. The functions of the police remained the prevention of community and community. of the police remained the prevention of crime, protection of life and property, and the preservation of public tranquility. To strike the right balance between these duties required great discretion on the part of each individual police officer in the diverse society of today.

There had been some progress in recruitment from ethnic minorities but further steps must

minorities but further steps must be taken. They must ensure that applicants were not unconsciously discriminated against. New tests would be scrutinised independently before they were

introduced.
The Home Office were discusand with the police and the luner London Education Authority the possibility of providing suitable English courses for ethnic minority candidates. They were setting up a special study to see how ethnic minority recruitment could be improved.

The Home Office fully accepted the importance given to police training by Lord Scarman. The Police Training Council met on January 28 to decide how to tackle the report's recommendations and was to meet again in the autumn to review proggess. dations and was to meet again in the autumn to review progress.

The Home Secretary (Mr William Whitelaw) had clearly endorsed the need for reform of the complaints procedure. The Commons Home Affairs Committee had begun an inquiry into complaints against the police and hoped to complete it by Easter. The Home Office would wish to take the report into account before proceeding further.

Keeping law and order was the responsibility of all and effective cooperation between police and public should surely have as its final objective the more effective prosecution of crime and the better protection of the public. A better protection of the public. A process of consultation about this had begun. It included a programme of visits by officials of the Home Office to study the informal consultation arrangements which existed in some areas and to discuss with police forces and police authorities how the liaison committees envisaged by Lord Scarman might function.

One of the problems the report identified was that of racial disadvantage. The Government disadvantage. The Government was committed to ensuring full being the country of opportunity for said the police in future should be recruited in such a way that they represented to a substantial one way of achieving this,

was by placing greater emphasis on monitoring the position of ethnic minority communities. They must have the information available if they were to take effective steps to try to remedy racial disadvantage.

One of the changes proposed was to grants payable to local authorities under section 11 of the Local Government Act 1966. When this provision was first introduced it was in the confident expectation that any dis-advantage experienced by people newly arrived in Britain would be short lived, and that the need for a grent of this kind would diminish and eventually disappear.

We now know (he said) that this has not proved to be the case. We therefore decided to abolish the so-called 10-year rule under which grant is payable in relation only to those Commonwealth immigrants who have been here for less than 10 years. Under the new arrangements it would be possible for the grant to be paid in respect of all first generation Commonwealth residents no matter how long their residence here, and the grant

residence here, and the grant would be payable to their

The Government was providing more than £50m a year in grants under section 11, which was a great deal of money. It was also proposed that there should be a substantial increase in the urban programme allocation for the programme allocation for the next financial year. It was to be increased from £210m to £270m.

Black businessmen sometimes experienced difficulties in seeking necessary financial projects. In discussions with the Department of Industry, the

Department of Industry, the response of senior bankers had been constructive and encourag-ing, and should lead to some positive initiatives from the positive initiatives from the banks, and help black businessmen improve their skills in seeking finance, and forge strong business relationships with the black youth in Brixton was unemployed or 12,000 households

Lord Elystan-Morgan, for the Opposition, said Lord Scarman had said racial disadvantage was a fact of current British life and a significant causation in the

It was a disease deeply embedded in the life of the community and like every serious disease it could not be cured by minor applications of ointments in the surface of the skin. It was endemic in the blood and bone and affected the whole of the

in the last two years the Government had withdrawn £500m to £600m from the inner cities by their changes in the rate support system. Was the Govern-ment prepared to cancel out that withdrawal, and from that baseline to consider what added finances it would channel to these most vulnerable areas?

There was a call for two basic conditions—an adequacy of finance and a fully coordinated approach to the problems.

Lord Scarman recommended that there should be a weeding out of would be conducted to the condu out of would-be candedates to the police force who were thought or

suspected to harbour deep racial projudice, and this should be made a specific disiplinary

Next week's business

of Commons next week will be: Monday: Employment Bill, second reading.

The main business in the Tuesday: Transport Bill, second House of Lords next week will

The main business in the House and Gaming (Amendment) Bill,

reading.

Wednesday: Motions on Rate
Support Grant (Scotland) Order
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GOES A PENNY TREBLE CHANCE CODE



Runcie: People not peaceable community, including the ethnic

minorities.

He would not be as hesitant as the Government or Lord Scarman in considering the case for some degree of reverse discrimination to ensure that ethnic minorities were adequately represented in

were adequately represented in the police.

This should not be done by a lowering of the necessary standards, but by engaging suitable applicants and training them carefully and specifically so that they could reach the necessary standards and thus become fully-fledged members of the force. The Archbishop of Canterbury, Dr Robert Runcie, said that he questioned the idea that violence, whenever it occurred, whether at Toxteth, Bristol or Brixton, could ever be simply explained in terms of bad economic and social conditions.

conditions which could be improved by the appropriate injection of government will and finance.
Unemployment and bad housing certainly played a major part in fuelling discontent which erupted into riot and they could not be complacent about a situation in which 65 per cent of

there were living in overcrowded However, men and women were not naturally peaceable and law-abiding. No matter how good the communications, nor how restrained the police, force was alas sometimes inescapable.

We do not help the police in their difficult and sometimes dangerous work (he said) by pretending that if only certain procedures and reforms were adopted, the problem of violence would be painlessly solved.

There is a danger of the police recling the measure of free police.

and cynicism at critics who do not acknowledge that law enforcement must involve force and that police officers in the real world have to choose between will on many occasions. evils on many occasions.

While they waited for the promised legislation on statutory liaison committees and complaints procedures, the coming months would be crucial for building confidence in the kind of consultation machinery the of consultation machinery the Government had in mind.

Government had in mind.

Whatever might be the pros and cons of reverse discrimitation, special effort should be made to give deprived sections of the community, whether black or and many of them did.

There was no right among ethnic minorities for changes in the rule of law of the host country. They must be prepared to change and to accept the laws the community, whether black or and many of them did. white, education and training opportunities to enable them to young poeple in more prosperous

The churches were determined not to abandon the inner city and retreat to suburbia. In the light retreat to suburbia. In the light of the report they would be seeking ways of extending and consolidating Christian work in education, youth, and voluntary services as well as helping to change the maligned stereotype impressions which groups had of each other and challenging the mythologies which had been created.

The need for action at

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Shortage of farms to rent

AGRICULTURE

The continuing decline of the tenanted sector of farming was a matter of concern, Mr Peter Walker, Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, said. He added that he had received representations from a number fisheries and assessments. representations from a number of individuals and organizations, including the National Farmers' Union and Country Landowners' Association, and with his colleagues was considering what action should be taken in the future.

Mr Peter Temple-Morris (Leominster, C): The decline of the tenanted sector is potentially dangerous for the future. Will he dangerous for the ruture. Will he make clear to the President of the NFU that he will press for legislation on this matter in the next session of Parliament and use his considerable talents to press vigorously in this direction?

urgent. Lord Long, for the SDP, said that Mr Walker: We will consider piecemeal implementation of the recommendations of the report and rejection of others would not do, although he had reservations, the proposals that have been made and have discussions with made and have discussions with all concerned. It is important to try to get a situation in which there is a permanency of arrangements in the landlord-/tenant area which can give an opportunity for young farmers in

do, although he had reservations, particularly about the recommendations of the sanction of dismissal against a police officer for racially prejudiced behaviour. He had received from the Bishop of Liverpool a quotation which the Bishop had received from community leaders in Liverpool 8: "We have always had had housing and few jobs. We have learnt to put up with them, but please get the police off our backs." Mr Gavin Strange, an Oppo-sition spokesman on food, agriculture and fisheries (Edin-burgh, East, Lab): Although the burgh, East, Lab): Although the Opposition cannot support proposals which would weaken the security of families of future tenant farmers, we are concerned about escalating farm rents. Would he consider introducing an early piece of legislation to limit the increase of farm rents which are doing so much harm to agriculture? He (Lord Hunt) had received similar statements from com-munity leaders in Brixton. There agriculture?

was no doubt that minority feelings were running in that direction. It was essential, however, to remember the social, economic and criminal situations in which the police had to operatte in Brixton, Toxteth and agriculture: I hope he will consider the immense frustration of young potential farmers throughout the country because of the total lack of availability of rented farms. The sort of policy which care there is a sort of policy which care the property which other city areas.
Implementation of the report which says that we just want low rents and do not want any incentive for any landlord putting forward tenant farms in future is against the interests of young farmers. There was a need for urgent action on the Scarman report. They would court even greater disasters than occurred in Toxteth and Brixton if they did not heed that report now.

Mr Peter Hardy (Rother Valley, Lab): While it might be desirable for the NFU and CLA to talk about tenancies, it might be useful if they and the Ministry talked seriously about the increasing scale of farming amalgamations.

Lord Rawlinson of Ewell (C) said that despite the passages in the report on the efforts of the police and the difficulties they faced, he was left with the impression of under-assessment of the difficulties of the police and the justifiable anxiety of the majority of law abiding citizens.

The television authorities were Mr Walker: The two are closely onnected. If when a farm, becomes available to let it is taken into hand, it creates the very situation that he talks about. I have to try to find a fair and sensible system between both sides which is good for young farmers.

Overfishing by Danes is attacked

There had been a deplorable decline in the quality and amount of news reporting, especially by the BBC. The reputation of it had been much reduced. Unless it was stopped it could lead to demands for the removal of the news from the control of the corporation and the vesting of it in a separate entity, as was done Reported over-fishing by Denmark was regarded by the British Government as utterly unsatisfactory Mr Alick Buchanan-factory Mr Stick Buchanan-Smith Minister of State for Agriculture, Fisheries and Food. Smith Minister of State for Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, said. The British Government had made its views plain to the until this matter is settled, these

policy would be one acceptable to the fishing industry. Progress had been made on marketing, on conservation and on the Community to the control of the community to the control of the co conservation and on the Community's reciprocal fishing arrangements with certain third countries, including Norway. The next meeting of the council of fisheries ministers was expected to take place in March.

Mr Afbert McOnarrie (East

Firm and resolute leadership from the Home Office (he said) is needed and the strengthening not weakening of the police; and the demonstration of society's determination not to be overborne by those who do not like the law, do not keep it. Ministers should Mr Aibert McQuarrie (East Aberdeenshire, C): Denmark has over-fished in the North Sea for herring by 10 times the quota, by 11,500 tonnes against 1,000 tonnes. What action will be take stand by the men and women in the first line of the defence of

regulations? Buchanan-Smith:

reported over-fishing by the Danes is something which we regard as deeply and utterly panes is something which we regard as deeply and utterly unsatisfactory. We are not waiting for the March meeting and have already made our views absolutely plain to the Commission.

This simply underlines the necessity of getting a common fisheries policy, with proper policing and proper control to prevent this kind of thing taking

We do not (he said later) want just any settlement. We want a settlement that is satisfactory. In the progress we have made on matters such as conservation and marketing we have managed to deal with a number of issues to the benefit of the British fishing industry. Let us hope we can get down to dealing constructively and satisfactorily with the remaining issues.

Dutch must wipe out advantage

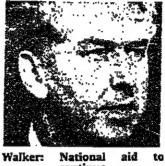
Positive proposals from the Dutch Government on the elimination of unfair advantages for their horticulturists through of gas subsidies are expected at the next meeting of the EEC Council of Agriculture Ministers on February 15. Mr Peter Walker, Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food said.

Asked by Mr Michael Latham (Melton, C) what progress had been made on the issue, and facing criticisms from Conservative, Labour and Liberal MPs on the delay by the EEC, he said

the delay by the EEC, he said that at the last meeting of the Council of Ministers virtually all member states pressed the Dutch Government for an elimination of the gap between industrial and horticultural tariffs operating in

(he said) for the meeting on February 15. I expect some positive proposals to be put and I hope the elimination of this unfair advantage to the Dutch growers.

Mr Latham: Since the real answer is that no progress has been made at all, and Mr Walker has had to introduce welcome national aids to prevent our growers being destroyed, will be make it plain to the Dutch that if they want to play it tough and rough so can we? (Cheers)



continue

Mr Walker: I have no doubt that if the Dutch Government do not come with firm proposals on February 15 on the matter, they as a government will immediately be taken to the European Court. That is a correct procedure to

national aids continue. The only settlement in nego- Mr Gerzint Howells (Cardigan,

at the Council of Ministers | Commission is putting the Brtish | meeting in March about this glasshouse industry at risk, and breach of the fishing no aid which the Government has given — and welcome it is — can offset the damage done.

Mr Walker: There was procrastination by the previous Govern-ment, which did nothing about this issue and was lethargic. I am glad that in the near future som decisions will be taken.

Mr Michael Spicer (South Worcestershire, C): If he com-pares our fuel costs with those of the Dutch, ours are about thre

Mr Walker: Yes, that is why I believe and hope the Dutch Government, who are under considerable pressure not only from us but from other countries and the EEC, will on February 15 announce the basis on which they will eliminate this unfair competition. Mr Thomas Torney (Bradford south, Lab): Is he going to allow

south, Labi is he going to allow the procrastination of the Com-mon Market to continue until our horticultural industry has gone the same way as fishing, ultimately disappearing? Will he not act unilaterally and save it? Mr Walker: If, as I am fairly optimistic will happen, proposals are presented on February 15, I will welcome them. I have taken every action in giving national aids to the industry to support them in the meantime, and I will continue to do that.

Marginal land surveys are completed

The marginal land surveys in the United Kingdom have been completed and the Government is completed and the Government is considering the case for extending the "less favoured areas" that might be submitted to the European Commission, Mrs. Peggy Fanner, Parliamentary Secretary, Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food said.

The Government had always said, she added, there was no commitment to provide cash for designated areas.

Mr Peter Mills (West Devon, C): There is tremendous econom benefits to the rural areas if thi

went forward quickly. With the terrible loss of agricultural land through roads and buildings, it is important to increase home food production from marginal land. Mrs Fenner: As soon as the results have been fully examined and the interested parties have been consulted, the case will go to the European Commisson. to the curveean Commisson.
It does need careful consideration. We need to submit a watertight case as soon as possible. The National Farmers' Union have agreed to this

approach. approach. I accept his comments, but have always said there is no Government commitment to provide funds for areas which are designated. The first step is to put the case to Brussels.

Britain to sign salmon. convention Progress towards establishing

e convention to conserve salmo: stocks in the North Adamtic was reported in a written reply by Mr Alick Buchanan-Smith, Minister of State for Agriculture, Fisheries and Food.

He said that the interested destine including the European parties, including the European Community, had adopted the text of a convention which would be opened for signatures on March

convention would provide for the first time an international forum for the control of intercepting fisheries, and would prevent the establishment of new maritime fisheries by the adhering parties outside the 12 miles coastal limits. The United Kingdom would

therefore support Community membership of the convention under appropriate conditions. He also welcomed the decision that the headquarters of the new organization would be in Edin-burgh.

Sex shop licensing approved

PORNOGRAPHY

The new system for licensing The new system for licensing and shops and cinemas was appointed during an all night sixing in the Commons when Local Government (Miscellaneous Projection Bill completed its passage and was sent to the House of Long Several MPs criticized a reference in the new acheolate which would allow local and which would allow local and critics to licence premises when orities to licence premises whe films are shown or books as force, restraint, violence, cruelty associated with sei activity.

Mr Timothy Raison, Minister State, Home Office, said in way could be found of around using those words the Gorment would be happy to can

MPs also agreed to another new clause designed to tackle de nuisance of fly posting it district councils or Longon boroughs power to remove the new po obliterate any placards or paster displayed in their area whit they believed are in cumvention of advertisementations.

Foot pledges repeal of **Tebbit Bill**

TRADE UNIONS

The Employment Bill represent a victous attack on the right of trade unionists and their union trade unionists and their unions so it would be repealed by the next Labour Government flike the Industrial Relations Act 1971. Mr Michael Foot, Leader of the Opposition, promised during business questions.

business questions.

The Opposition intended to de everything in its power morese the Bill in Parliament and would fight it generally, he told the Francis Pym, Leader of the House. As the legislation would be repealed it would be better it the Government withdrew it now but the committee stage should at least be held on the floor of the Commons. Commons.

Mr Pym: His Government did repeal the Industrial Relations Act with disastrous results (Conservative cheers). I have heard his representations, but i is the Covernment's intention to proceed with this Bill in committee in the normal way and in exactly the same way as the Labour Government did on Bills in a similar area. Mr Pym later said the only thing

that would really be kelpful in the rail dispute would be for it to end. In the meantime, a Com-mons debate would not be He also indicated that the

death grant was under consideration by the Government, but was not in a position to make a

Need to set. an example

The Speaker, Mr George Thomas, in a statement said: There has been considerable publicity today (Thursday) about a word which was used last night.

shall consider that an un-parliamentary expression. Note of us would use it in our con homes. I hope this House tan maintain a better example to the

Parliament today

(9.30): Private Commons Members Bills: Planning Inquiries (Attendance of Public) Bill and Death Grant Increase Bill, second read-

Five Government moves to ease lot of elderly

SOCIAL SECURITY

They will be in Portsmouth, Fleetwood and Sheffield and it is hoped that two will become operational within the next 18 months and the third shortly after that. Mr Fowler, speaking in a debate

Government's other proposals included a new registration system to improve standards in private and voluntary old peop-le's homes and increased Govern-ment grants to voluntary organi-zations helping the elderly.

Mr John (Pontypridd, Lab)
moved an Opposition motion
recalling the major progress
made by the last Labour
Government over pensions and
noting with mounting dismay
that "Government policies have already lowered and threaten to lower further the standard of living and quality of life of the motion said urgent mea-

sures were needed to remedy the situation and in particular an early report was needed on how a constructive response may be made to the declaration of intent National Pensioners

Convention.

He said that the pensioners' convention — the federation of all the major organizations involved with pensions — was labbying the Commons on lobbying the February 18. There would be many sincere

There would be many sincere people united in their anger at the way their standard of living had dropped in the last three years. They would present their ideas as to how that should be prevented in the future.

No one could dank that the No one could deny that the Labour government had done a great deal for the pensioner. It was equally undeniable that the story over the last three years was in stark contrast to that

The Labour Party bitterly opposed the break of the linkage betweem pensions and earnings and was pledged to restore it. In 1982-83 the Government would an expension of the linkage betweem pensions and earnings and was pledged to restore it. In 1982-83 the Government would also urgently reconsider the need for patients needing continuous for their professions and earnings and earn

liberty. (Conservative cheers.)

must be broad-based.

Lord Rawlinson of Ewell (C)

The television authorities were

motivated by a determination to entertain and sensationalize. The increase in violence in society was not a little due to the attitude of the television authorities on

There had been a deplorable

in a separate entity, as was done with independent television.

The report had dismissed the question of a new Riot Act. He hoped the Home Secretary would

consider in greater depth than the Scarman report had the principle of "disperse or be arrested".

these matters.

Mr Norman Fowler, Secretary of State for Social Services, announced as part of a package to provide more Government help for the elderly, the setting up of three experimental nursing homes within the National Health Service.

Taking into account the cumulative effect of the Government's action on pensioners, an elderly couple was £2.90 a week worse off, and a single person three experimental nursing the land in the link had not been cut. And it meant pensioners could not automatically look forward to an increase in

look forward to an increase in their earnings.

Nothing gave pensioners a sense of grievance more keenly than the issue of uprating in line with inflation. The Government should make good the 3 per cent chartfull in pensions — made up on the pensions and living shortfall in pensions — made up standards of the elderly, said the of a 1 per cent claw-back and a 2 Government's other proposals included a new registration inflation — as quickly as There were difficulties in

uprating more than annually, but the Government should be looking for ways it could be done rather than reasons why it was not possible. Six-monthly uprating should be confined to periods when inflation was high—in double figures.

As the difficulty in uprating was supposed to be the uprating of supplementary benefits, uprating should be confined to standard pensions, to be uprated 5 per cent after six months when inflation was 10 per cent. rather than reasons why it was

inflation was 10 per cent.
The supplementary benefit rise could still bemade annually. The supplementary benefit rise could still bemade annually. Alternative:y. one could add to the flat-rate pension a fixed sum of, say, 52.25 for a couple and £1.50 for a single person, which was roughly 5 per cent inflation for six months. Twelve per cent inflation, even on the Government's own reckning annuared

ment's own reckoning, appeared to be here to stay. The Government should shake the Department of Health and Social Services out of its inactive attitude to try to see ways in which uprating could be done on a six-monthly basis rather than

The £10 Christmas bonus was

now worth, in the same terms, less than £3. It should at least be doubled and if inflation was to be met fully, it would have to be raised to £35. There was overwhelming evidence that the death grant was inadequate and causing great anxiety as surviving relatives struggled to pay large funeral bills. The figure of £30 fixed in

save £500m by having cut this link, and a large proportion of the patchwork quilt of conthis money would be lost by retirement pensioners.

Taking into account the cumulative effect of the Government amendment welcome the continuous control of the control of th Mr Fowler, Secretary of State for Social Service, moved a Govern-ment amendment welcome the

action the Government was taking at a time of severe economic difficulty fully to protect retirement pensions against inflation, to provide for the statutory payment of an annual Christmas bonus, to annual Christmas bonus, to protect the most vuinerable elderly people against rising fuel prices, and to continue the development of services for

elderly people. It expressed appreciation of the dedicated efforts of pro-fessional staff and volunteers who provided support and care for elderly people and their families



nursing homes

He said the level of the pension had increased by 52 per cent over the last three years. Spending on the last three years. Spending on retirement pensions and other benefits for the elderly now totalled £13,500m a year. That had been achieved despite the economic problems.

The Government had done what it had promised to do to maintain pensions in line with maintain pensions in line with inflation, and to continue the Christmas bonus.

The elderly were not a ring-fenced group. They were affected by general economic policies like the rest. Mr John had advicated policies which would add further hundreds of millions of pounds to public expenditures he knew there was no way in which the there was no way in which the nation could afford it without there being the most catastrophic effects on the economy.

goal. The Government's aim was to provide for as many of those elderly patients as possible in small local units close to families and friends.

As a contribution the Government ment intended to set up three experimental nursing homes within the NHS at Fleetwood, Portsmouth and Sheffield, intended for people who did not need to be in hospital. They

would be in charge of a nurse and medical care would be provided by general practitioners and remedial and community support services would be avail-They would be financed jointly by the health authorities and the Department of Health and he would be funding an independent evaluation of the scheme from his department's research funds. The nursing homes would have a capacity of between 30 and 50.

The Government was also examining the possibility of setting up a second set of experimental schemes for care

outside hospitals, this time for elderly patients who might need care because of psychiatric elderly patients who might need care because of psychiatric disorders.

The second initiative concerned the long term care provided for old people by private and voluntary residential homes. There was a need to ensure that the care provided in these homes had kept pace with the needs of the residents and overall pattern of services for old people.

The Government was about to the subject to help it decide what improvements were needed in the registration sysytem in England and Wales. The document would also propose a code of practice which local authorities might apply flexibily to encourage improvement in conditions.

The Government would be seeking to rely on advice as a means of improving standards rather than the rigid application of new statutory requirements. ment would be taking concerned would include a major grant to Age Concern to help them establish a majoral training centre where they would run courses for their professional staff and

Help would also be given to the Mr Gregor Mackenzie (Ruthers-Centre for Policy on Ageing, to Contact and to the Employment

The fourth initiative was that the Government was setting up new arrangements to improve financial and policy accountnew arrangements to improve financial and policy accountability in the National Health Service. Each year, ministers would lead a departmental review, with the chairman and chief officers of each regional health authority, of regional long-term plans and objectives and of the efficiency with which it provided services. it provided services,

For the first time since 1948,

For the first time since 1948, the Government would be able to carry out a systematic and rigorous corporate review of policy.

The fifth initiative was on joint financing, which had made a big contribution to promoting community care. Through the scheme, NHS cash was used to support and enhance community

care provided by social services authorities and voluntary organizations. From just over £8m in 1976-77 joint finance had now risen to over £75m in this financial year. A further increase was planned next year bringing that total to almost £85m. almost £85m.

Forty per cent of joint Finance was spent on services for the elderly. But the scheme did not go far enough. There were still

support and enhance community

many in hospital who need not be there, including many of the elderly. The Covernment had sought the views of interested bodies on further ways of moving re-sources from health to personal social services. Clear preference had emerged for two proposals. One involved making the joint financing arrangements more flexible. The other was intended to move people more quickly out of hospital into community care.
The Government wished to

consider other suggestions and

he hoped to anounce a con-clusion shortly, later this year. While appreciating the concern of organisations like the National Pensioners' conventions, he was not prepared to make promises that could not be kept. It would cost £11,500m to raise pensions by the amount suggested in the convention's declaration.

The public would give no credit if problems were disguised or hopes raised that could not be fulfilled. The majority of people wanted sufficient income.

be possible to implement sense of the legitimate aspirations of old age pensioners. By destroys the wealth creators the Govern ment had destroyed the means by which the elderly could be paid a fair pension.

Mr Andrew Bowden (British, Kemptown, C) said he could support neither the motion por the Government amendment. The next pension increase must be in the region of 16 to 17 per cent allowing for an inflation rate of 12 per cent harmen. last

ment should be thinking in terms of and increase in the single pension of £5 with £8 for a married couple, to honour The Government should be looking ahead towards prejaming a workable national concessionary fores scheme and there was more to be done in producing a concessionary forest producing a concessionary for the concessionary for t

12 per cent between last November and next. The Govern-

and heating scheme. Public sector pensions being sorted out

The Government's aim was to ensure that pensions for public servants were fair to taxpayers awell as to employees, pensioners and their dependants. Mrs. Thatcher the Prime Minister, said during questions.

She added: We are trying to

She added: We are trying to sort out the whole matter of conditions of contributions for the many different groups in the public service—civil servants, police, nurses and teachers.

Mr Robert McCrindle (Brentwood and Ongar, C) had drawn attention to the widespread coverage in the morning papers on index-linked pensions for the public service.

public service.

Recognizing (he said) that the
Cabiner may well still be
considering the Scott report, is
she able to indicate if the Government will be prepared to accept the principle recommenda-tion of the report that nowith-standing the possibility of increased contributions, the index-linked pensions in public service should remain?

Mrs Thatcher told him she had no announcement to make about this and would be surprised if there were an announcement tomorrow (Friday).

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Sex victims volunteer for jail talks with rapists By Peter Evans, Home Affairs Correspondent

meet rapists in Maidstone other prisoners. prison, Kent, so that they can the report describes the understsand better the "real achievement of provid-serious consequences of ing a comparatively good their crime.

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The women counsellers at these sessions are voluntary associates, volunteers who help the probation service. They take part with groups of six prisoners to talk about their feelings as victims of sexual attack. A probation officer and two vicinity of the probation are possible to the probation of six prisoners to talk about their feelings as victims of sexual attack. A probation officer and two uniformed prison officers also attend. A prisoner goes to the group until officers feel he has learnt all he can. According to the Home Office the men taking part are "generally naive, inadequate people with tearn to the can. According to the Home Office the men taking part are "generally naive, inadequate people with little understanding of the opposite sex or sexual matopposite sex or sexual mat-ters." The scheme is one of a possibility of setting up number described in the specialized training for offic-report as impressive and is ers in this country, especially ters." The scheme is one of a number described in the

service has also set up an examined.

Alcoholics Anonymous group.

The sex offenders are from a special wing which brings woman had had a chance to rest and advised of the possibility of a friend remainted.

Miss Lestor also insisted that a full statement should be taken only after the woman had had a chance to rest and advised of the possibility of a friend remainted.

Women victims of sexual nature of their offences | An anti-rape campaign was attacks have volunteered to might lead to attacks by started yesterday aimed at

The once-weekly sessions from intimidation for 100 were praised yesterday in a men who would otherwise report on Maidstone prison have a miserable existence by the Chief Inspector of elsewhere.

Prisons.

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Britain.
"I very much encourage

designed to make prison treatment more positive.

By allowing men to talk to victims the intention is to try to prevent the prisoners fantasizing about women as sexual objects. The probation service has also set up an examined area in this country, especially ers in the Metropolitan area, along similar lines to the existing bomb and drug squads", she said.

Miss Lestor said women should have to make only a brief statement before being ers in this country, especially ers.

warning nurses. The campaign; by the Nursing launched Standard, says nurses are at high risk of sexual attack. It wants health authorities to

Judge Mason told him:
"During the period of these
offences no woman of a
respectable kind in this area was safe from you".

"Who knows what effect what you did may have on them for the rest of their

Dubois, aged 30, an unem-ployed squatter, had been convicted of raping three

The judge told him: "You were medically examined and it is quite clear there is no mental abnormality on your part. The sentence I pass must reflect the horror of which I have spoken and everyone's sense of public outrage over what you did."

Dubois received three years for each rape, the sentences to run consecu-tively. He received a total of six months for thefts.



Lieutenant-Colonel George Forty, curator of the Boyington Tank Museum, Dorset, who has launched a campaign to place the armoured vehicle collection under cover to save it from weather damage

Computer aid for astronomers

By Robin McKie, of The Times Higher Education Supplement

advanced . technique which will allow British astronomers to operate tele-scopes in other countries and to carry out all normal experiments from computer terminals in this country is to be launched by the Science and Engineering Research

Council.

The first stage of the project is to be established at the council's Hawaii observsix months for thefts.

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at the Royal Observatory, Edinburgh, in a few years.

A second telescope, to study star formation and link, in combination with world-beating combination of facilities". Using the satellite link, in combination with interstellar dust clouds using radiation of wavelengths of less than a millimetre, is also expected to be built by the council in Hawaii. A formal would be able to sit at a terminal and operate the telescopes, carrying out their research without leaving proposal recommending the move is to be discussed by the council in the next few

their departments. The project is to be set up in three stages. First, a data that the observe channel using telephone lines directly using of will connect the infra-red trols in Britain.

telescope, sited on top of the 14,000ft peak Mauna Kea, with its ground base at the Starlink, the national computer display system that scientists there a limited
connects Britain's main astronomical centres, scientists

Then a microwave radio link will be set up so the

telescope's operations can be run on full remote control from Hilo. In a few years, those will be extended using communication satellites, so that the observatory will run directly using duplicate controls in Britain.

director, and was told to switch off everything and wait for half an hour, Mr Tim Mort, the company's solicitor, said.

But Mr Mort said Mr Halsall misunderstood the instruction and switched the steam from the still back on

Confusion blamed for death blast

A misunderstanding led to a chemical plant explosion which killed one man, seriously injured another and resulted in a thousand people being moved from their homes, a court was told vesterday.

yesterday.

An employee misinterpreted instructions from a company director after vapours escaped from a still at the Chemstar plant in Stalybridge, and turned the still back on, causing the explosion, magistrates at Dukinfield, Greater Manchester were told.

chester, were told.

The court was told that the firm, which admitted failing to ensure its employees' safety would soon be going into liquidation. It was fined

Dr John Newton, for the prosecution said the explosion on September 6 happened during the "laundering" of 1,200 gallons of highly inflammable hexaue chemical, a distillation pro-cess which required a perfect supply of water.

Dr Newton said the hot vapours escaped while Mr

Norman Halsall, who was purifying the hexane, was helping a lorry driver. Mr Halsall telephoned Mr John Simon, a company director, and was told to switch off everything and wait for half an hour, Mr Tim

Calculated scheme to learn maths

From Our Correspondent Dereham

Children at a Norfolk school are to have to take a special test before being granted a licence to use a pocket calculator in class.

If they subsequently make a bad mathematical error, the licence will be endorsed. Three endorsements will mean a calculator ban until they have passed the test

The scheme is the idea of Mr John Kirby, deputy headmaster and a mathematics teacher at Northgate High School, Dereham. He said he was concerned at the effects calculators were having. Children were using them without knowing elementary facts of arith-

"The questions will not demand complicated calcu-lations. Just proof that the pupil has grasped the basic principles of the four rules,

decimals, percentages, can-celling, fractions and money", Mr Kirby said. All children up to the fourth year will be covered by the scheme and licences will be renewed at least annually, subject to success in the numeracy examinations.

The licence will be en-dorsed for an "unforgiveable error", Mr Kirby said.

☐ The Cockcroft committee of inquiry into mathematics teaching, whose report was published last week, devotes a whole chapter to the use of calculators and computers in the belief that their increasing availability at low cost is "of the greatest significance" (Our Education Correspondent writes).

It comments on public concern about the use of calculators by children who have not yet mastered the traditional skills of arithmetic but save that the arithmetic, but says that the weight of evidence is that the use of calculators has not produced any adverse effect on basic computational ability. "There can be little doubt of the motivating effect which calculators have for very many children", it says, and calls for the introduction of a national scheme to ensure that each pupil has access to a calculator during mathe-

matics lessons. The increasing use of calculators in adult life provided an over-riding reason why all secondary pupils should be taught and allowed to use a calculator, the committee says it recommends that calculators

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SUMMARY

Leyland workers stay out

Bus and truck workers at Leyland Vehicles' five factor-ies in Lancashire voted overwhelmingly yesterday to continue their two-week strike over planned redundancies, in spite of claims that it threatens the compa-ny's future (our Wigan

correspondent writes).

Of the estimated 5,000 workers crowded into the car park at the Farington works at Leyland, fewer than 100 voted against continuing the stoppage.

Mr Michael Coyne, strike committee chairman, accused.

management during the 20-The calculator licence will war of words in an extensive be awarded on passing a local newspaper advertising

campaign.
"They are expecting the workers to capitulate under all the publicity and using the all the publicity and using the tactic of not meeting for another 15 days while this happens", he said. "We will be available for 24 hours a day to talk to them about an honourable return to work.

Judge rewards girl with £30

Helen Brearley aged 16, was praised by a judge at Luton, Bedfordshire, yesterday and given a £30 reward from public funds for her alertness in picking out a thief in an identity parade.

She saw Hugh O'Neil aged 27, of Luton, dash from a shop after he and another man attacked an eiderly shopkeeper and robbed him,

shopkeeper and robbed him, at knifepoint, of £50. O'Neil was jailed for seven years for the robberies on Wednesday.

Guard hurt in robbery A security guard delivering nearly £12,000 in wages had his nose broken in an armed robbery by three masked men in Wavertree, Liverpool, yesterday.

Pubs back research More than £231,000 has been raised for medical research by 615 public houses throughout Britain in the national InterPub contest organized by the Muscular Dystrophy Group.

No bail for youth

A youth aged 16 was remanded for a week by Bristol Juvenile Court yester-day accused of the attempted murder of Police Constable Ian Bennett, aged 36 on January 30. Bail was refused.

THE FUTURE LOC There's one company whose aim isn't just survival in



change from reading about the gloom. Mapping the ocean floor. For years Britannia ruled the waves. Now through a majority investment in Ocean Data Systems Inc. (USA) and its wholly owned subsidiary. Global Weather Dynamics Inc., IAL is about to gain new market opportunities in oceanography, meteorology and digital colour graphics display systems. A new era in air traffic control.

The following good-news stories make a healthy

Last October, the UK Civil Aviation Authority awarded IAL the contract for equipping the London Air Traffic Control Centre with a microprocessor-based voice communications system, IAL Stratus. This will help to achieve even higher standards in safety and efficiency. The £150m medical services contract.

Through its associates, the International Hospitals Group, IAL has already started work on a massive £150m medical services contract for the Saudi Arabian National Guard.

The hotel run by computer

During the past year IAL has masterminded and financed the development of Maxial, a totally new computer based hotel management system. This technology will meet the increasingly sophisticated demands of the hotel and leisure industries, on a worldwide scale.

New factories. More employment.

While cut-backs are the talk of other boardrooms IAL continues to expand.

In August our Data Communications Division will be opening a new factory complex near Basingstoke.

Naturally, we are involved in many more new developments: for example, satellite g ound processing systems and fibre optics. Of course there are other projects of a sensitive nature the also hold great potential for the company. And thus for the economy.

If you're interested in more facts and figures our Compan/ Secretary will be happy to post you a copy of our Annual Report.



Factory sit-in must end From Our Correspondent, Edinburgh

Plessey, the electronics company, was granted an order by a Court of Session judge in Edinburgh yesterday banning the continued occupation of its factory in Ratheate Lothian by mem-Bathgate. Lothian, by members of the work force.

the end of March.

A petition seeking an interim interdict named 141 steer natural justice. I administer the law of Scotland, which may or may not be justice. I can't tell you whether your cause is just — just whether it is legal."

I am not in a position to "I am not in a position to judge the action taken by the company, or to judge the company, or to judge the company company, or to judge the policy being pursued. I am concerned with the occupation of the premises." He added that the action of the work force might or might not be politically or industrially proper; but they had occupation was the only way to draw attention to their plight.

A meeting of workers afterwards decided to continue the occupation, and hold another meeting at the weekend. (Our Shotts Correspondent writes).

work force appeared. Mr George Wilson said: "If The occupation has been there is any natural justice, then that justice would be on when it was announced that the factory was to close at the end of March.

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Creation scientists retreat

New York.—The final note has been sounded in the retreat of the so-called "creation scientists", of Arkansas (Michael Hamlyn writes). The state's Attorney General announced that he was not proceeding with an appeal against the judgment that a law requiring balanced treatment between evolution and creation in schools was unconstitutional.

Mr Stephen Clark, the attorney, said that certain parts of Judge William Overton's judgment were in error, but that even if they were not allowed to stand there were three significant legal obstacles to overcome which he would find it impossible to would find it impossible to

Crash pilots knew about ice

Washington — A tape from the airliner that crashed into the arringer that crashed into the Potomac River three weeks ago, killing 78 people, suggested that the pilots took off knowng there was ice or snow on the wings, the Washington Post reported.

Transcripts of the voice the sould not necessarily mean creating a nation state.

Washington Post reported.

Transcripts of the voice recorder showed that the pilots of the Air Florida Boeing 737 commented repeatedly on the bizzard. It suggests that the pilots have in mind.

A spokesman for the side suggests that the pilots looked out of flight deck windows to check for ice or snow on the wings, noted there was some, and then took off.

the week after next (Kenneth Gosling writes). No reason was given, a spokesman for Walt Disney Productions

night on the United States to The film, Night Crossing, is based on an actual incident in September, 1979. It is to have its world premiere in Berlin

Den talks with the Palestin | New York Arab states appeared determined today to press ahead with a resolution its world premiere in Berlin and is expected to open in Britain in early summer. It is directed by Delbert Mann that negotiations with the Palestinian Liberation Organization could take place and

Missing imam case closed

The Rome magistrate in charge of investigations into the disarance in August, 1978, of Moussa Sadr, the Lebanese Shiite imam, has ordered the case closed, a source in the judiciary re-

The imam disappeared on August 31, 1978, when he was supposed to leave Libya for italy on Flight AZ881 of the national carrier Alitalia.

Poison gas accusation

Berlin. Feb. — A West Berlin firm has been manu-facturing illegally a poison gas ingredient and shipping it

Frank McAbee of United

Squabbles over 39-hour week

From Charles Hargrove, Paris, Feb 4

hour they were paid for "carbonic pollution", at the

The consequence was the outrest in postal services of outbreak of a rash of local conflicts, strikes and stoppages, of which the most spectacular is the work to spectacular is the work to spectacular by customs officers.

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by the Government, as the Prime Minister himself has admitted, and it is being very differently interpreted by the employers and the unions.

Employers are negatively in the control of the government decree—that it means 39 hours effectively worked.

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variety of special privileges and "perks", which, strictly speaking, do not square up with it.

Spamsh and Italian frontiers, and travellers' luggage has been meticulously searched as a gesture of protest.

Other conflicts have been with it.

The French Government decree for reducing the They want meal, rest, and working week to 39 hours travel time to be included in and introducing a fifth week of paid holidays a year, has got off to a bad start. Its administration's interpretation of the sovernment.

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From Our Own Correspondent, week of action next week to obtain a "real" reduction in working hours, and the and effective work-sharing.

to Israel, the city pros-ecutor's office said.

The Ferak Chemical Com-pany was charged with pro-ducing thiophosgene, a product used in the manufacture of poison gases similar to those used in the First World

Hospital check on Kissinger

New York — Henry Kissinger, the former Secretary of State, is in hospital in Boston for what his staff called a routine check-up. He is due to be discharged today to go on holiday.

He has suffered recently from a painful shoulder but

is otherwise quite fit, an assistant said.

Trip to Japan

Paris. - President Mitterrand will make a state visit to Japan next April, at a date yet to be decided. It will be the first by a French Presi-

Employers are naturally in

Mubarak fails to bridge gulf on Palestinians

From Nicholas Hirst, Washington, Feb 4 Despite a firm assurance of Technologies, the parent Egypt's commitment to the company of Pratt and Whit-Camp David peace process ney.

President Mubarak has The Government alternations

underscored the deep differ- veto approval of the Lavie ences between his country project was said to have been and Israel on ways to solve coproduction of American

the Palestinian problem.

After a second meeting F15, F16 and F18 would be so here today with President expensive that the Air Force affirmed his commitment to enough aircraft, according to the present Palestinian parliamentary procurement autonomy talks: "We are committee. determined to pursue our Mr Sharon told a press peace efforts until a compresensive settlement is reached breaches of the ceasefire

according to the Camp David were building up, and he said accords", he said in a formal Israel would not accept a statement on leaving the return to the situation that White House. ceded the July ceasefire. But no new initiatives on how to bring about a break-He said Israel would not initiate fighting but would through have emerged from respond to attacks.
the discussions in Washing-

He held PLO headquarters Lebanon responsible for President Mubarak in directing terrorist attacks another formal statement wherever they occured, another formal statement He said there were 60 the ceasefire yesterday emphasized that the 1.2 million Palestinians

breahes of the ceasefire which was arranged in July by Mr Philio Habib, the American special envoy. Half of them were in the South and to self-determination.

Lebanese strip comrolled by Major Saad Haddad, Israel's nean creating a nation state, ally. More than 20 attempts were made to infiltrate from Jordan but most of these were intercepted by the Jordanians. The rest of the breaches occurred in Europe where terrorists atacked Jewish and Israeli insti-

have in mind.

A spokesman for the breaches occurred in Europe where terrorists atacked lewish and Israeli institutions of the was some, and then took off.

Festival rejects

Disney film

A Walt Disney film depicting the flight by hot air balloon of two families from East Germany to the West has been refused a showing at the Berlin Film Festival the Berlin Film Festival the week after next (Kenneth source)

A spokesman for the breaches occurred in Europe where terrorists atacked Israeli for a national entity deviated from the Camp David accords.

President Mubarak since taking office has been trying to heal the break between Egypt and the other Arab nations which had developed over Egypt's rapprochement with Israel. His public statements are regarded as persuading the Arab world that he is searching for a solution to the Palestinian problem where terrorists atacked Israeli institutions.

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He said the number of palestinian guerrillas forces in the area, (Reuter reports).

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He said the number of other ar were infiltrating withiout any difficulty into the area held by United Nations forces, especially near Tyre where the Senegalese contingent let with which other Arab states

could concur.

Like President Sadat during his visit last year, guerrillas had used the President Mubarak called last ceasefire made last summer strengthen their units press ahead with a resolution which could pave the way for

can's promise to the Israelis Israel's expulsion from the that negotiations with the Palestinian Liberation Organization could take place only if the PLO agreed to the long standing conditions of accepting United Nations to expel Israel or any other.

security Council resolutions and agreeing to Israel's right to exist as a nation state.

Tel Aviv: Israel today approved the development of a new generation of fighter-interceptor aircraft to be called Lavie and signed an agreementwith Pratt and Whitney for the joint development of its engine (Moshe consequences for continued) whitney for the joint development of its engine (Moshe Brilliant writes).

Known as the PW 1120 the engine is to be based on the F100 produced by Pratt and Whitney for F15 and F16 aircraft. The agreement put into effect a contract continue are support for the United Nations.

The statement, however, appeared to have little effect on the sponsors of the draft resolution, which also calls

Nations.

The statement, however, appeared to have little effect. into effect a contract con-cluded last year and signed today by Mr Ariel Sharon, the Defence Minister and Mr for a mittary, economic, diplomatic and cultural embargo againsts Israel

Bowing to progress: A German fodder silo, 90ft high and 105ft long, topples with the detonation of 51/slb of explosive to make way for a new, high-speed railway from Mannheim to Stuttgart.

As for the Communist

CGT, it has condemned the

government measure as a "bad decree", and is launch-

ing a campaign for the defence of its members'

acquired rights, and against

any reduction in earnings.

The Government has insisted only that the earnings of workers on the national minimum wage should be unaffected by the shortening

of the working week

New Cairo style, page 12



cost put at £113,600m

From Mobsin Ali Washington, Feb 4

While President Reagan puts the finishing touches to the 1983 budget which he is to send to congress next week, his senior officials have been juggling with figures which would appear to raise the level of defence appropriations while not increasing the size of the overall budget deficit.

According to administration sources, the Presidentd's budget message will call for actual defence spending ammounting to \$215,900m (£113,630m) This amount, which is a record peace-time defence budget, is about \$1,000m more than the president had predicted last

president had predicted last September.
Additionally, the Presidentd will seek an extra \$13,600m in new budger authority for the Pentagon. However, this amount will not actually be spent during fiscal 1983 but will enable the Pentagon to make contracts which would have to paid for in subsequentd years. in subsequentd years.

Mr Caspar Weinberger, the Defence Secretary, discussed the proposed increases during a closed session of the Senate armed services committee earlier this week. Some reports of what Mr Weinberger told that meeting gave the impression that the President had agreed to a further increase in actual further increase in actual defence spending rather than in budget authority.

Administration sources said the main effort in shaping the new defence budget had focused on keep-ing 1983 spending increases

ANGER OVER BELGIAN

AUSTERITY

ment's special powers came

into force today as signs of mounting social unrest be-

came apparent. The special powers make it possible to

introduce by royal decree

fiscal and economic measures

the Government deems necessary to save the country

from impending bankruptcy.

The first such measures

are relatively uncontrover-sial. Two help the building

industry by cutting value added tax on construction

from 17 to 6 per cent and by

doing away with capital gains tax on building sites. An-

other seven measures also tinker with unemployment,

call by the socialist FGTB union for next Monday is

tive and join the protest.

US defence Political motive seen Night battle in troop cuts leak

From Nicholas Ashford, Washington, Feb 4

troops based in Western Europe in either the short, medium, or long term.

However a proposal to cut back their number and in-stead build up an expedition-ary force based in America is one of the ideas discussed from time to time by Nato experts examining ways of streamlining the alliance's military capability.

military capability.

The fact that such a proposal should have been leaked to the west German newspaper, Die Welt is considered to be a political move by defence experts in Washington. There is considerable discontent within sections of the administration with the Government of Herr Helmut Schmidt, the West German Chancellor, particularly over Poland. particularly over Poland.

Suggestions that the United States could be considering a troop reduction are certain to cause him political embassassment and provide ammunition to the opposition Christain Demo-

Despite the strains which Nato is undergoing the Administration remains solidy committed to it. It is a matter on which even Mr Alexander Haig, the Secretary of State, and Mr Casper Weinberger, the De-

Spain given

on rowdies

From Richard Wigg Madrid, Feb 4

good-will towards Britain, does not yet know what is going to hit it when English football supporters descend

So far even the taxi drivers

have been seeking to learn some English as the Basque

community generally pre-pares a welcome for an even

seen as promising good football combined with good

But tomorrow Mr Neil

tourist trade.

advice

dusty town There are no plans to fence Secretary—at odds on reduce the 350,000 American so many other issues—are troops based in Western united. From Paul Eliman

The Administration is parsteps at this stage which could be seen as sending the wrong signal to the Soviet Union.

Any move to reduce Ameri-cam troops in Europe now would cause a crisis within Nato and would seriously undermine the United States position at the Geneva talks on the reduction of medium-range nuclear missiles in

Enrope.

It would also have serious implications on the long drawn-out negotiations in Vienna on mutual and balanced force reductions in central Europe. The UnitedStates is formly committed to the Nato decision to make withdrawals of its forces in central Europe only as part central Europe only as part of a decision on East-West multilateral reductions. It is possible that in due course there could be some reduction in American forces in Europe, because some Pentagon planners believe a conflict is less likely to break out in Europe than in other parts of the world.

However, such reductions

However, such reductions would be made only after close consultation with the allies and only if there were reciprocal reductions Warsaw Pact forces.

1 empers rise in trade war

From Ian Murray. Perhaps the Basque country, traditionally one of the regions of Spain feeling most Japan's failure to satisfy European demands for a more open market will be studied by the European Commission next Wednesday against the growing background of national demands. on Bilbao next June for the first of England's games in the World Cup finals.

for protectionist measures.

At the same time three European Commissioners will be in Washington battlwin with the American auth-orities over claims that Europe is dumping unwanted steel and agricultural products on the American mar-

It was clear in Brussel today that tempers are rising on both trade fronts as one senior commission official held an informal briefing to tell journalists that if Ameri can harassment contin there will be a good deal of blood on the floor".

Macfarlane, the Minister for Sport, will be in Madrid for talks designed to help the Spanish authorities cope should the minority element of hooligans who wreak havoc in and around English football games decide to come to Spain as well. He gave a warning that the gave a warming that unless everybody stood by the rules "we could relapse into a chaos of bilateralism of the type which existed in the 1930s with consequences of the kind for which many Europeans paid with their lives." So far, however, the trade war is less one of He will talk to Señora Soledad Becerril, Minister of Soledad Becerril, Minister of Culture, who also has responsibility for sport. Mr Macfarlane's trip comes after a visit last month by officials trying to help with Britain's experience of the hooligan element.

The hope is that the warning will reach the security officials and police at the grounds where England and Scotland are to play.

Mr Edward Barrett, British trade war is less one of conflicting words than of conflicting figures.

Japan this morning produced a new set of numerical assurances that Japan really was doing its best to open its markets. There would be 1,653 nems with reduced to the produced that the produced the produced that Mr Edward Barrett, British Consul-General in Bilbao, commented: "I think we should try and look on the bright side. I reckon the authorities have the full picture by now." tariffs between now and 1988, and the reduction averaged 15.6 per cent — a loss in revenue to the Japanese Government of \$200m (just over £100m). As many as 15,000 British football supporters could arrive in Bilbao for the game.

The commission official took nothing like so rosy a view. The drop in the rate for biscuits, he said, would be from 38:5 per cent to 36.3 per

It was far from a great battle but it was typical of the two-year-old war in El Salvador. The guerrillas showed that they could strike close to the capital but were unable to attain their object tive — the capture of this dusty town of 25,000 inhabitants, 12 miles from the outskirts of San Salvador.

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outskirts of San Salvador.

The guerrillas, of the Farabundo Marti National Liberation. Movement, surrounded the town shortly after 10 pm last night. They called inpon its defenders, a 44-man force drawn from the local militia.

local militia, to surrender and, when they refused, opened fire.
The attacking guerrilla force, estimated to have been 200-strong, swiftly overran positions on the edge of the town and moved on the local

The defenders, armed only with vintage, bolt-action rifles against the automatic

rifles and grenade-launchers of the guerrillas, were able to call up troops from a garri-son hear by The clashes continued well into the night. with the last exchange of fire occurring around 5 am seven hours after the initial guerrilla attack.

The defenders suffered three dead two of them from the local militia and the other from the Array — and 10 wounded. One of the dead was Carios Galdamoz, a 48-

year-old fieldworker and father of eight.

As his body lay on the cement floor of his troy home, surrounded by walling relatives, his neighbours complained that lack of proper defences made their town an easy target for guerrilla attacks.

But this morning, at least three companies of infantry, supported by armoured vehicles, had taken up positions in the town. There were no signs of a follow-up operation.

threat of legislation as a constant in an attack on the weekend (AP reports from San Salvador).

threat of legislation as a threat of legislation as a weapon of last resort.

The Government's main target is the influential target is the influential english language press, which is by far the freest in Africa and keeps up a constant nagging assault on the weekend (AP reports from San Salvador).

The Communist attackers of kills are said affirms have set the said from the policy of apartheid.

press plan rejected as hysterical From Michael Hornsby Cape Town, Feb 4

Hostility to

Mr.R. F. Botha, the South Mr. R. Bottler Minister, today described as hysterical and premature the hostile press reaction here and press reaction here and abroad to the proposals of the Stevn commission of inquiry into the mass media. In an interview with The Times, Mr Botha maintained that the press coverage of the Steya report had been deliberately "dished up in such a fashion as to give the impression to the Government abroad that the Government

intends to kill press freedom

in this country.

"Some papers here obviously expected the Government to react immediately, and to clamp down on the press, and the Government." press, and the government of the did exactly the opposite, Mr Boths maintained. The pre-sent hysterical outburst is apparently based on frusapparently based on frus-iration that the Government did not react as expected". did not react as expected.

The Steyn report, accompanied by draft Bills enhodying its proposals, was tabled in Parliament earlier this week. If implemented, the draft laws would, among other things, require all journalists to be licensed by a statutory board of controls. This has been widely condemned as a means of imposing political conformity.

The Prime Minister's re-rponse in Parliament to the Steyn report had been "vary, very categorical and clearly stated" Mr Botha declared. ment could not give a conclusive yes or ho, that it required study and that negotiations would take place with the press. Now what more reasonable artitude can any government

adopt? It was impossible, Mr Botha insisted for the Covernment to indicate what



for journalists.

beginning of a process of discussion with the press?. Nor would he be able to express any personal view on the Steyn proposals until he knew what the outcome of these negotiations were.

Mr Botha's comment will do little to calm the fears of editors and journalists here uestion the motives of the Covernment in commissioning the Steyn report in the first place and are alarmed that the Government should be prepared even to consider a measure like the compulsory registration of

The Foreign Minister's remarks tend to confirm the remarks tend to continue the view gaining ground here that the Government's initial strategy will be to try and persuade the press to exercise self-censorship while holding over its head the threat of legislation as a meanow of last resort.

In response, newspaper owners and editors have set dedicated themselves to killing to burchery, to exterminating the population, and they killed children, women and men—even animals, an Army spokesman said.

Nicaragua crushes plot to split the country'

Managua, Feb 4 — Nicara-gua announced today that its security forces had smashed a "counter-revolutionary" a "counter-revolutionary plot to separate the eastern province of Zelaya, from the rest of the country and had arrested more than 100 people in the province.

Last week, the United States State Department spokesman, Mr Alan Rom-berg, accused the Sandinist Government of oppressing Miskito Indians in Zelaya, a predominantly black; Eng. lish-speaking province. The Nicarraguan Government denied the allegations.

Mr. Romberg, said the leftist Government had de-

clared Zelaya a military zone and restricted travel in the region. The province, which is rich in resources, occupies about half of Nicaragua's territory.

Mr Romberg also said the Government had seized Zelaya's leading independent radio station, prohibited circulation of the country's only independent newspaper, and expelled religious workers from the region. ers from the region.

in Managua today, the Defence Ministry spokesman,

part German ancestry who formerty headed Misurasata, an organization representing three Indian tribes inhabiting Zelaya.

Mr Moller fled the country last May and now lives in neighbouring Honduras. The separatist movement, which Captain Sanchez said was called Operation Red Christmas, started last November. He said the conspirators hoped to foster anti-govern-ment feelings among the residents of the province and start an uprising, thus paving the way for intervention by foreign military forces that would support the separatist

In addition to creating a "climate of terror" in the province, the conspirators had simultaneously planned to carry out an ideologicaltype campaign aimed at sowing confusion and aversion toward the Sandinsta revolution in Zelaya, Captain Sanchez said.

relations with the United States could push Nicaragua into the Cuban and Soviet camps, although Managua would prefer strengthened thes with Washington, Father Miguel d'Escoto, the Nicaraguan Foreign Muister aid guan Foreign Minister said here today.

providing extra accommo-daion in ships tied up on the Nervion estuary. New terror wave feared

From Harry Debelius, Madrid, Feb 4

and one idea the local tourist

authorities are examining is

after the attempted coup of February, 1981, that it was expected to receive support throughout the country, while in Wallonia members of the Christian CSC union are planning to defy their executive and to the country of the christian country of the christian country of the country of their executive country and to the country of t justification for trying to

The Basque separatist overthrow the constitutional organization ETA-PM can be monarchy.

Expected to resume its cam
In spite of that it kid-

paign of violence soon, a source close to the Basque father of the popular singer, in Madrid today.

It announced in a clandestine communique soon after the attempted coun of carrors.

ETA-PM then claimed that the kidnapping was not a violation of the truce, since it was carried out to finance the organization's operations and not for political motives.

Lambda Ministry spokesman, violating the plot had been led by Mr. Steadman, Fagoth Muller, a Miskito Indian of

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News in Summary

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Air crash kills 31 legionnaires

Paris.—Thirty-one foreign legionnaires and a five-man French Army crew were killed when their aircraft crashed during a training exercise in Djibouti, a Defence Ministry spokesman said.

There were no survivors when the aircraft struck a mountain in a desolate region of the former French East
African colony. "As usual,
the legionnaires were of
various nationalities but no
names will be released," the
spokesman said. The cause of the crash was not known.

The legionnaires had just started a four-month training tour in Djibouti after arriving from Corsica. Djibouti gained independence from France in 1977 but French military units remain there under bilateral agreements.

Rubik cube world contest



Professor Erno Rubik, who will head an international jury for a world Rubik cube championship this spring.
Rules of the competition

are to be announced in March. Professor Rubik said a time limit for solving the puzzle should be set as a condition of entry. The contest is to be organized by the Hungarian Konsumex Foreign Trade Company and the Politechnika Industrial

Warship carries Crocker yacht

Port-of-Spain, Trinidad A yacht on which Michael Crocker, the British yachts-man, was murdered by an intruder on Saturday morning has been taken to Curação, Dutch Antibbes, on board the British warship Fearless.

Mr Crocker's widow Trisha is to return to Britain at the weekend with the body of her husband which will be buried at Henley of Tuesday.

Greece protests over buzzing

Athens. - Greece has States over the alleged violation of Greek airspace last Sunday by two American fighter jets, the Foreign Ministry said. The jets buzzed a Libyan airliner south of Crete.

Mr Ioannis Haralambopoulos, the Foreign Minister summoned Mr Monteagle Stearns, the American Ambassador, and delivered the protest. He then had talks with Mr Abdel Majid Gammoudi, the Libyan Libyan

Seoul police hold 11,500

arrested more than 11,500 people in the capital of South Korea in a four hour period Uacqueline Reditt writes). Nearly half of those involved committed traffic offences. More than 1,000 were said to be habitual hoodlums, 643 juvenile delinquents, 181 thieves, 104 were harassing citizens, while 4,064 were simply described as "others".

Haiti Cabinet reshuffled Port-au-Prince.-President

Jean-Claude Duvalier of Haiti has reshuffled his Cabinet and made several changes in his top military command. Five of the 15 Cabinet ministers were removed from their posts, three new undersecretaries of state were appointed, and the two top posts at Haiti's Central Bank were changed.

Proll sentence cut Frankfurt. - The West

German Appeals Court re duced by six months the five and a half year sentence imposed two years ago on Astrid Proll, a former member of the Terrorist Red Army Group after her extradition from Britain. The which a lower court found her guilty.

ETA shooting

wing of ETA, the Basque separatist organization, have claimed resonsibility for the shooting on a Spanish naval lieutenant as he was driving in a Jeep through Zarauz, near San Sebastian. He is said to be satisfactory in the ideological journal Red
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Polish Primate and Pope review crises

From Peter Nichols Rome, Feb 4

The Pope, at his first meeting with the Polish pressions of doubt and criticism than practical results. Hes last detailed survey with his advisers took place at the what chances remain of a change for the better in the Polish crisis.

Mgr Glemp was accompanied by two other prelates, Cardinal Kacharski, the Pope's successor as Archbishop of Cracow, and Mgr Henryk Gulbinowicz, Bishop of Wroclaw. The three prelates were speaking with the full authority of the whole mational episcopal conference and reflect varying experiences and attitudes.

Wroclaw remains a centre has brought him more expressions of doubt and criticism than practical results. Hes last detailed survey with his advisers took place at the Popeis timerant nuncio with a special brief of Poland, returned from his visit to Warsaw.

The policy agreed than was that every effort should be made to allow the regime to prove, if it wished, that it aspired to a degree of a autonomy from the Soviet Union that, in the phrase used at the Pope's table at that time, General Jaruxelski conceivably might prove to be another Tito rather than a pression of doubt and criticism.

Wroclaw remains a centre of working class oppocition to General Jaruzelski's

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be another Anothe Wroclaw remains a centre of working class opposition to General Jaruzelski's regime. When Mgr Gulbinowicz left his diocese there were still reports of demonstrations, go-slows in factories and distribution of pamphlets critical of the

Government.
The bishop will certainly have reflected this more belligerent attitude while the Archbishop of Cracow is still seen to be more patient. The atmosphere, however, is

pened and what we can expect in the future". There is now felt to have been sufficient experience of General Jaruzelski's Government to attempt an appraisal of the question of whether there can be hope for better things or whether "there is nothing to be seen but a continuing long black tun-

The three prelates went remains the one institution straight to the Pope to begin their talks on their arrival in and so the one possible the late morning and were immediately given to understand that they were the Pope's luncheon guests. The survey will be exhaustive and may last until the eve of the Pope's departure for Nigeria on Friday next week.

This series of meetings has come the reinstatement of Solidarity as an active force.

not even informally approve the United States policy of sanctions in so far as they were likely to embitter the situation still more by making hungry people hungrier.
The tone of the Pope's

public appeals in the meantime has shown his growing anxiety with the failure of the regime to take to heart

gloomy. is demands for the recognition of human rights.

The nature of the meeting allegations of being too was described today at a high moderate towards the milievel in the Vatican as "a tary junta has been eneed and on what has have predicted to the recognition of the recognition of human rights.

The Vatican's answer to allegations of being too moderate towards the milievent of the recognition of human rights. reflection on what has hap remains, that there is no pened and what we can moderation at all in the insistence on an end to mass arrests without trial and on support for the Solidarity free trade union movement.

This is the field in which
the Roman Catholic Church

feels that its weight can best be mobilized and so continue its historic role of a leading element in Polich national life in modern conditions. It

on Friday next week.

This series of meetings has begun dramatically for more that one reason. The Pope is aware that his policy so far as the key to the situation.

Zia closes Libyan centres

From Haslan Akhtar Islamabad.

operating for some time in been explained.
Rawalpindi, Lahore, Karachi
and Peshawar and are
financed with Libyan money.
Their ostensible approach been explained.
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General Zia ul-Hao's Gover-ment was not disclosed.

Pakistan's relations with Libya since the late Mr Zulfikar Ali Bhutto's Government was ousted in 1977 have been uneasy. Mr Agha Shahi, from power.

Libyan "friendship cen- the Pakistan Foreign Ministres" in Pakistan have been ter, made an unannounced closed on the orders of the visit to Libya last month the government. They have been object of which has never

Their ostensible purpose been recruited for unspeci-was to foster closer contacts fied "security jobs" in Libya. at people-to-people level. The lt has been frequently re-reason for their closure by ported that Libya is harbouring anti-Government Pakista-nis and even financing some clandestine activities by the Al Zulf Ikar Movement headed by sons of Mr Bhutto, who was hanged after his fall



Down to earth at 60 mph

Private Terry Bennett, mated at between 60 and functioned.

reserve canopies slowed tangled like "a big bag of her descent, but her speed garbage". She landed in a when she hit the ground ploughed, muddy field, near Fort Bragg, North which absorbed most of Carolina, was still esti-

aged 20, of the United 70 miles an hour. She States Army's elite Golden escaped with a dislocated Knights parachute team, elbow, two broken bones fell 8,500ft to the ground in her wrist, and a chipafter her parachutes malped right ankle bone. Private Bennett, who

has completed 850 jumps,
The tangled main and said her parachutes had

Demand for purge of left in China

court ruled that Fraulein for a purge of remaining leftists in the Communist leftists in the Communist Party hierarchy as China which a lower court form radical influence in its

said to be satisfactory in strongest appeal for a purge To support her case, Mrs to appear so far in China's Zhang quoted a speech by Mr writes).

Peking, Feb 4. — A senior against bureaucratic Vice-Chairman, who said in Chinese official called today practices.

Mrs Zhang, one of the few members who joined the women in the higher echelons of China's leadership,
said getting rid of leftist
influence was one of the
main problems facing the
same members who joined the
party under the extreme
leftist line, some have never
been educated by the party.
They should not be held up
as models for the masses and Busing is high on this agenda because for nearly two decades it has been viewed by liberals as a symbol of racial desegregation, and by conservatives bureaucracy.

Mrs Zhang Yun, a member party. She accused many are not up to standard." Mrs of the influential party members of using their Zhang also quoted from a party members of using their zhang also quoted of the influential party disciplinary committee, wrote position for personal gain. previously unpublished rein the ideological journal Red. She said the problem to a port by the disciplinary that followers of the large extent arose because committee which attacked corrupt party members in unusually strong terms.

The reprot also said many officials "have changed from servants of the people to old gentlemen who ride on the backs of the people, tyrani-cally abusing their powers". CIA and last days of the Shah



In the wake of the Shah: A supporter of President Bani-Sadr lies dead in the battle for fundamentalism

Seething dissent that Washington ignored

From Michael Hamlyn New York, Feb 4

A fascinating description of the closing stages of the rule of the Shah of Iran is being extracted here from the 13 volumes of documents scized when the United States Embassy in Tehran was invaded. They have now been published in Iran.
One striking feature of the detailed reports from the American diplomats and Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) men is how accurately they reflected what was

going on, and how well they forecast the future events. The public statements of the Carter Administration, and to some extent the official high-level reports being offered by the Ambassador conflicted with the ground-level intelligence reporting and with reports from middle-rank diplomats. Hitherto the CIA has been blamed for providing inaccur-ate assessments of the Shah's weakness and the mullahs' strength. This is now seen as less than fair to the agents

on the ground.

The picture drawn by the documents is of a Shah surrounded by a corrupt and venal court, blackmailing Washington into vastly expansion was "potty", as critics have insisted; but the hlame must go, the documents on the documents of the documents ressive arms purchases, while a seething religious leadership built up more and more strength in the mosques and bazaars.

more strength in the mosques and bazaars.

Extracts from the documents published in the washington Post over the washington Post over the washington the stability of the regime appeared in secret estimates from the CIA and State Department analysts two full years before the Iranian revolution.

They also show that the oversupply of arms to the Shah caused some worrying questions to be asked. For example a major intelligence review drawn up by Mr David Blee in 1976, then the national intelligence officer for the Middle East, says: "Washington does not have

a clear perception of the Shah's long-range objectives, for example, why is he acquiring such a vast array of sophisticated military hardware? The Shah states that adequate defences that adequate defences

GIBRALTAR

GUARANTEE

IS SOUGHT From Richard Wigg Madrid, Feb 4

Gibraltar and its future

statute as an integral part of Spain would be the central

theme of negotiations with

Britain starting on April 20, Señor José Pedro Pérez Llorca, the Spanish Foreign Minister, told Parliament in Madrid today. The talks will open near

Lisbon on the same day as Spain lifts its blockade of Gibraltar. Senor Perez Llorca

said Spain would seek guarantees of identical treat-

ment for its nationals with those for the Gibraltarians.

He was reporting to the foreign affairs committee of

the Lower House on last month's talks in London between Mrs Margaret That-

cher and Señor Leopoldo Calvo Sotelo, the Spanish Prime Minister. . .

The Foreign Minister emphasized: "The one thing Spain will not accept of anybody is the possibility to dispose of the future of a

territory which is an integral part of Spain and whose future statute will be the central theme."

Peacock splendour: The Shah, his wife and son at the unveiling of the Reza Shah monument to 50 years of the Pahlavi dynasty in 1976.

against communist-equipped Reza has betrayed an essen-liraq are merely precaution-tial element of his role, ary, yet the placement of new protection of Islam. The

blame must go, the docu-ments point out, to the lack

men well informed about the simple basics of decision-making within the Shah's Government. Did the Shah decide everything for him-self, or did he delegate broad authority to others, are questions that were debated in the documents with no satisfactory conclusions reached.

But where the documents were extremely accurate was in their assessment of the role to be played by the clergy. As early as 1976, a year before President Carter described Iran as "an island of stability", the CIA was reporting: "In the eyes of the religious leaders, Muhammad

Congress
A week after hearing
President Reagan promise to
continue America's "long

journey towards civil rights for all our citizens". Con-gress is bracing itself for a

gress is bracing itself for a legislative confrontation over the emotionally-charged issue of school busing.

With the backing of conservative Republicans who control the Senate, two senators — Mr Orrin Hatch of Utah and Mr John East of North Carolina — are intro-

North Carolina — are intro-ducing a Bill which would abolish forced busing in all

but a few exceptional cases. Liberal Republicans and Democrats alike have sworn

to oppose the Bill at every stage of its passage through Congress. And civil rights leaders have promised that if

it is ever approved the Bill will be challenged in the

Supreme Court.
The move against busing is one of a number of proposed Bills which the Republican

right wing is pushing rapidly

forward in the new session to

enact the conservative social

agenda, delayed last year while President Regan's

ecomonic programme was being steered through Con-

as a specially outrageous example of federal inter-

ference with the personal

The Bill has already been welcomed by the Senate judiciary committee whose chairman, Senator Strom

chairman, Senator Strom Thurmond of South Carolina,

is a leading Republican hawk.

Senator Lowell Weicker of

choices of citizens.

gress.

present generation of re-ligious leaders, moreover, seems to be convinced that the Shah, as his father before him, is determined to destroy Islam in Iran."

The CIA even estimated that "probably no more than 10 per cent of the clergy... can be counted as outright supporters of the Shah". These "are probably the least influential of the clergy and are considered by many to be no better than government

More important, the report said "probably 50 per cent are in outright opposition to the Government and are wholly dependent on their popular following for sup-port. This includes nearly every religious leader of any

Another CIA report de-scribes bluntly the near isolation of the Shah and the character of the shan and the character of those surround-ing him: "The royal court has traditionally been a hotbed of Byzantine schem-ing. In the Shah's family are an assortment of licentious and financially corrupt rela-

ing tactic to block the legislation in the Senate and marshal public opposition to the measure.

Moreover, the Bill will not even be debated in the House

of Representatives unless its

supporters can outflank the liberal House judiciary committee by collecting

committee by collecting enough signatures for a

discharge petition — a rarely used procedure to force debate on a Bill rejected in

Critics of busing say that bringing black children into schools which were pre-viously predominantly white has lowered standards and inflamed the racial tensions

the policy was intended to

Supporters of busing claim the Bill would undermine the

the Bill would undermine the Supreme Court's historic ruling in 1954 outlawing racial segregation. And they say that by stripping federal courts of their power to enforce long-standing civil rights laws, the Bill would be unconstitutional

unconstitutional infringe-

ment by Congress of the

jurisdiction of courts.

ever approved

grounds.

President Reagan

This article by Peter David Connecticut, a liberal Repub-is the first of three by Our lican, intends to use every Washington Staff on social possible parliamentary delay-issues facing the American ing tactic to block the

Two years later the middleranking diplomats and CIA agents were painting an appropriately even gloomier picture. But still, official Washington appeared to be under-regarding them. Mr William Sullivan, the Ambassador, was still expressing optimism in his official cables until late in

Even after the turning point riots in Jaleh Square in September 1978, when army units and helicopter gunships massacred a crowd of demon-strators, the Carter Administration renewed its support for the Shah.

While Mr Victor Tomseth, the American Consul (who was later a hostage), reported that anti-American feeling was rapidly growing, the Ambassador forwarded much more optimistic assessments.

Mr Tomseth wrote that anti-American sentiment often took the form of: "We have nothing against you personally, but Iranians dis-like Americans because 1) You keep the Shah in power; 2) American weapons kill our people; 3) You are a bad moral influence on our children; 4) You do not respect Islam; 5) You have caused inflation and short-ages, etc. Several people, out of genuine concern for individual Americans they know, have advised that they leave Iran quickly lest some-thing happen to them."

ment itself, and achieving a popular consensus for its policies."

A month later, and only two months before the Shah's fall, Mr Sullivan wrote: "While it is too early to make definitive predic-tions, there are encouraging indications that the Iranian crisis may have passed a fever point and opened some prospects for its constructive resolution."

He added: "In the mean-time, the Khomeini star

seems to be waning."

taped Oval office calls Boston,

Kennedy

Massachusetts. Feb 4 — President John Kennedy secretly recorded conversations and telephone calls with world leaders, congressmen and his aides while he was in the White

House, Mr Dan Fenn, the director of the Kennedy Library said Today.
"I have no reason to think they knew they were being taped," Mr Fenn said of the recorder executed in 100 to 140 people recorded in 100 to 140 nours of taped meetings and conversations. The tapes are being examined at the library here in preparation for their release to the public, possibly this summer. Mr Fenn said 250 telephone

conversations and 325 meetings in the Oval Office in the White House were recorded from mid-1962 to November from mid-1902 to November 7, 1963, 15 days before the President was assassinated. Among those recorded in telephone calls were Marshal lito of Yugoslavia, General Douglas MacArthur, Dr Billy Graham, the evangelist and Mr Adlai Stevenson, the United States representative at the United Nations under President Kennedy. The list also includes members of Congress associations to an according to a condition to a Congress, according to an index of the tapes that Mr

Fenn had.
The subjects of the conversations included Vietnam, the Cuban missile crisis, the integration of the University of Mississippi and civil rights

"I haven't the vaguest idea why Kennedy used the tapes or saved them," Mr Fenn said. "I hope we'll be able to open some of them early this summer. When they're available, they'll be available to anyone, junior high school students, Arthur Schlesinger or anyone."

Any potentially classified material will be referred to the originating agency, which will decide whether to keep it classified or allow the museum to release it,

Miss Evelyn Lincoln, Kennedy's personal sec-retary, was quoted by the Washington Post today as saying that the President threw a switch as a signal to her start taping. She would activate either a recorder attached to his telephone or microphones in the Oval

According to the report, the most frequent names listed among participants were Robert Kennedy, the Attorney-General, and brother of the President, Mr Dean Rusk, the Secretary of State, and Mr Robert McNamara,

But Mr Sullivan a few days later reported: "An air of calm has been restored to the cities . . . but the Shah and the Government face an the subject matter of their conversations, were blacked out on the log obtained by the newspaper.

The existence of some Kennedy tapes — but not their extent — had been known eyer since a statement by Mr Fenn in 1973. The Kennedy family handed over the tapes to the library in

A secret taping system installed by President Nixon led to his resignation during the Watergate scandal, when it was revealed that the recorded conversations recorded conversations varied from his statements on the affair. Mr Nixon's system, unlike President Kennedy's, was voice-activated, and contained about 4,000 hours of conversation.

American social issues, 1 Right wingers stir up GOOD RELATIONS GROUP new busing battle

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against identifiying too closely with the Bill, although he opposes forced busing in principle. But the President is likely to be dragged into the controversy if the Bill is. Mr Arthur Flemming, whom the President recently dismissed as chairman of the Commission on Civil Rights, after it published a report calling for stronger administration support of busing, said the commission would ask the President to veto the Bill if it were approved by Congress. If he refused, the Bill would be challenged in court on constitutional

ment of Datuk Sri Mahathir

saw Major-General Chatichai Choonhavan, the Minister of

Industry, being joined later

for a plenary session with the eight leading British busi-

nessmen who are accompany ing him on his tour of the

to see a refugee camp with 40,000 Cambodians; visit

Nong Samet settlement of the

Nong Same: School National Khmer People's National Liberation Front, only a short distance from Viet-

public and private sources since the programme to feed Cambodian refugees began. Britain has recently given

£55,000 to the United Nations

anti-piracy programme in the Gulf of Thailand. Virtually every vessel carrying Viet-namese refugees to Thailand is attacked by pirates at some

land through Cambodia. At Nong Samet, Lord Carrington will watch distribution of food and mee

Tomorrow Lord Carrington

Britain tries to stop Vietnam aid by Europe

Carrington, the Rouge to join the loose Foreign Secretary, has agreed to use his influence in Europe to try to prevent any further aid going to Vietnam Mohamed, the Malaysian from EEC countries.

The Foreign Secretary withdrawal of support for the

The Foreign Secretary withdrawal of support to the United gave a pledge to make That Khmer Rouge at the United Nations as a tactical move. views known when he met Air Chief Marshal Sitthi Savetsila, the Thai Foreign

Britain and Thailand share the United States view that no assistance should go to Vietnam while its troops remain in Cambodia. Both France and the EEC Commission have given assistance to Vietnam against the wishes of the Association of South-East Asian Nations

France has given aid worth £20m and the Commission gave emergency medical aid to Vietnam last December flies to the Cambodian border worth £175,000 through nonovernmental agencies. The ommission aid was opposed short distance from Viet-namese forces; and see a camp holding about 1,000 Vietnamese who have left Vietnam and travelled overby five EEC countries

French assistance, has particularly the South-East Asian countries, was given in the belief that Vietnam should be encouraged to give up its dependence on the British aid workers. Britain and the EEC have contri-buted more than £30m from

It comes at a time when the French are assuming a more active diplomatic role in Indo-China and before projected contacts at foreign minister level with Hanoi this spring. There is speculation among Bangkok diplomats that the French may be démarche over the future of

The discussions today were point.

largely confined to state— In the afternoon Lord ments of the views of both Britain and Thailand about northern city of Chiang Mai which there is "a broad where he will have the rare honour for a foreign minister." mich there is "a broad where he will have the rare measure of agreement", both honour for a foreign minister seeing advantage in putting of an audience with King pressure on the Khmer Bhumiphol Adulyadej.

ved, and the Government has

plans to sell off many of Argentina's sacred cows —

Expulsion hearing for doctor adjourned

From Trevor Fishlock, Calcutta, Feb 4

Dear Sir Keith,

bave the impression that culture or no you yourself regard them as rather like a Rolls-Royce: good, but also expensive and a huxury our poor nation can no longer afford in the style to which

afford in the style to which

the manufacture of false teeth nor in the administ-

ration of universities. I am.

however, something of a minor expert in internationa

statistics on the economics of education. In this capacity I recently decided to put British universities to test.

Are they, by international standards, unusually expens-

To be honest, I rather expected to find there was at

force of conventional wisdom

that I was genuinely sur-prised to find that almost every number I could lay my hands on seemed to show precisely the opposite. Please

I cannot believe that you or your predecessors would have embarked on the pre-

sent course of action had you known these facts. Perhaps

the reason they are not more widely appreciated is that they require collation from several different inter-

I happen to agree with you and your colleagues on a number of important matters.

I agree with your own view that educational policy gener-ally needs greater emphasis

on value for money, provided that by "value" we mean "output" and by educational

output we mean acquisition of learning.

I also agree that public

expenditure must be reduced or restrained, if only because

intangibles, such as univer-

sities, there is an inherent

tendency for input to become excessive relative to output

(layabout dons, etc): there-fore periodic shake-ups are

desirable. One desirable re-form for universities the world over would be abolition

of security of tenure. An-other would be subjecting all departments to periodic peer

review.
Your own policies, however, are not at all designed to increase the productivity of British higher education

and may in fact reduce it.

national sources.

A British doctor who has been working for two years among the slum and pave-ment dwellers of Calccutta appeared in court here today to fight a deportation order. Dr Jack Preger, who is 51 and was born in Manchester, was expelled from India last summer but returned shorly afterwards in defiance of the authorities to continue his Carrington went on to pay a call on General Frem Tinasu-landonda, the Thai Prime Minister. This afternoon he work among the poor. He was arrested and jailed

for nine days in August. He has been carrying on his work while the unhurried

today's hearing Dr Preger's lawyer asked him for some money. The doctor refused given some, and the lawyer announced he was too ill to were then given to another

In the small, dark courtroom, a nightmare of stacket and said: "This case must be expedited. Do not be sluggish." He then adjourned the proceedings until Saturday.

Dr Preger, who was educated at Oxford Universty, first came to India in 1979. He had been working in Bangladesh bu was expelled after alleging that a number of children sent to Europe for adoption had been used in pornagraphic photographs.
He started working with
mother Teresa's organization
in Calcutta and eventually began working on his own supported by donations from

Although he had a work permit for some time, the authorities would not renew it and Dr Preger carried on without one until the deport-ation was served. He believes the Bangladesh Governmen

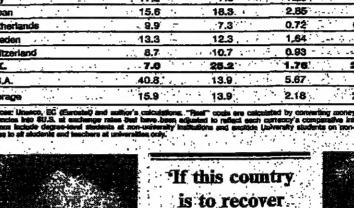
the Bangiacesh Government has asked the West Bengal Government to expel him because he had demonstrated frequently, with placards, at the Bangladesh High Commission office in Calcutta against an alleged trade in children.

Robin Marris steps up the debate on our universities with an open letter to Sir Keith Joseph and a challenging international comparison of the costs of higher education

Why British graduates are the best value for money in the world

I know you are an intellec articles in the newspapers concerning your policy of sities. The first was in last Sunday's Sunday Tones and was called "Carry on Cutting, Sir Keith". The next, in this paper on February 2, was called "The Second Battle of Both were written by experts from my own univer-. The cutter is an experi dentist's materials (8 senior lecturer, no less); the defender was our Vice-Chancellor. The cutter, Dr Anselu university lecturers are a bunch of layabouts, and who am I to argue that this is not his personal experience? It is not, as it happens, my own. The Vice-Chancellor as gued, forcefully, I thought that the universities are the

1978 Figures		First-Degree Students per Thousand Population	Percentage First-Deg. Students Graduating Annually	Amually per Thous.		University Teachers per Thous. University Students
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Canada		21.7	18,8	4.08	1944 · 17	57.9
Denmark		19.3	9.0	1.74	39,666	
Finland		16.0	16.0	2.56	Se	98.1
France		11.7.	15.3	4 1.79	13,764	49.5
Germany		14.6	9:5	1.39	28,516	123.9
Italy	-: .	17.2	7.5	1.29	17,027	41.3
Japan		15.6	18.3.	2.85		82.3
Netherlands		9.9 -	7.3	0.72	60,205	94.6
Sweden		13.3 -	12.3	1.64	and the second	
Switzerland	• •	8.7	10.7	0.93	and the second	71.1.4
UJC	2 - 1 - 1	7.0	25.2	1.76	22,507	88.7
J.S.A.		40.8	13.9	5.67		54.9
Average		15.9	13.9	2.18	29,141	76.2



Joseph: all the

facts?

You and your ministers are fond of saying that inter-national comparisons of high-er education statistics are

invalid. You are wrong.
There is an international

tandard for educational statistics, and in my table I use

the rather precise concept of

cation. This eliminates some students at some countries

universities and brings in many of our own students at polyrechnics and colleges of

Of course there is variation

in the quality of a first degree, but unlike you or any of your ministers, Sir, I have

taught at universities throughout the world. I have

taught American students in hundreds and European stu-

dents in handfuls.

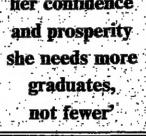
I have administered an American economics department teaching 6,000 students.

These experiences have taught me that there is much

education.

us enrolled on courses leading to first university

her confidence and prosperity she needs more graduates,





Professor Robin Marxis: cost-effective graduates

concepts. In my view a student is a unit of work in

progress. The product is the graduate. In the most recent year, 1978, for which I can

tries is not that they have student enrolled in higher education is comparatively high in this country. This, however, is more than compensated by superior efficiency in the educational process. In Britain, 25 per cent of students enrolled in to graduate and the great majority graduate quickly, having learned as much or countries in a shorter time. In some other countries, drop-out rates are as high as 50 per cent and average time for successful students is as

which there is data are the Italy and The Netherlands, both around 7 per cent.

As a result of this striking discrepancy the real cost of producing a British graduate is well below the European average. (Please see the table, unfortunately stastistics are not available for

and may in fact reduce it. American economics departs your policies are aimed simply at reducing output. These experiences have those could you ever imagine that this is in the national more comparability internationally than most people interest at the present time?

I fear you must be suffernationally than most people in fortunate side effect of the British Disease. Embittered by our national economic favour the UK.

Expensive? It is true that there is much internationally than most people inferior graduates. I doubt that you of any other the was server would seriously enternationally than that explanation.

The reason such a high average for North America and Japan was 4.20.

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first-degree courses graduate every year. In other non-communist developed counjust under 14 per cent. No other country comes near the British perform-ance; the nearest is Belgium, with 19 per cent, the lewest developed countries for which there is data are the much as six years. have the lowest enrolment of first-degree students of any developed non-communist country. Whether this means we are elitist depends on

table: unfortunalley stastistics are not available for graduate. In the most recent
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reasonably informed observer would seriously entertain that explanation.

support for a policy of reducing the number further. If this country is to recover her confidence and prosperity she needs more graduates, not fewer. The fact that the proportion of the popu-lation of university age is oing through a phase of cline is quite irrelevant. What matters to a modern society is the ultimate stock constant Any country that down that statistic to decline is allowing herself to decline.
Polemics concluded, may I

now offer you some concrete suggestions? I assume that you will be completely convinced by my argument that we should not be aiming to reduce the cultural level of our society by reducing graduates per capita. So you must at once reverse your policy of physically restraining fainire student numbers. But you are fully entitled to insist that the anti-inflationary impact of your policies be nevertheless retained...

You can safeguard this by maintaining the cash cuts you have already imposed while letting individual instinutions determine their own y opt for cash salary cuts individual contribution.

Some may do both (and given our financial system, it is in many cases impossible

Almost equally serious is an imputation being put around by the Association of Univer-

by the Association of University Teachers: they are saying. Sir, that if a group of academics accepted a voluntary salary cut you would merely reduce the grant to that institution pro ratal.

My most concrete proposal is a challenge that you publicly deay that incredible suggestion. It is incredible, of course, because it is laid at the door of a monetarist government that claims to believe that in the control of cash, rather than of "real" quantities, is to be found the secret of deflation.

Finally we reach what I

Finally we reach what I know to be your most difficult problem: student government finance. They are also the envy of the world. They also confer a deserved benefit on the upwardly mobile

hard to get the qualifications a type that could easily defect to the Liberal/SDP Alliance. You are well aware that if you reduce the scale of grants, or freeze them in cash terms, you could lose a

Elitist? Yes we do indeed lot of votes. It is a same result indirectly by physically resulted are elitist depends on missions and thus the number of the same result indirectly by physically resulted are elitist depends on missions and thus the number of the same result indirectly by physically resulted are elitist depends on missions and thus the number of the same results are little are resulted. ber of qualified grant appliber of qualified grant applicants. To accuse a politician of cowardice is like accusing a whore of frigidity. But to accuse a Conservative politician of putting party interest above national interest is to accuse God of sin.

I am sure, Sir Keith, you would not like to go down in history with such a thing around your head. Please think again.

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Peking's offer seen as ploy

Peking. — China's offer to diplomats here as an attempt negotiate a time limit on to appear flexible rather than American arms sales to an indication of a wish to Taiwan was seen by Western compromise.

Junta's economic battle

Argentina cuts forces spending



including the debt-ridden President Galtieri: Sur-Yacimientos Petroliferos prised at the vehemence Fiscales (YPF), the state oil of the criticism

state telephone company.

The military's budget cuts are seen here as a step in the right direction — about £2,000m were spent on arms purchases between 1978 and the mire before the endirection. the year.
But he faces a monumental

purchases between 1976 and 1979, according to calculations by Señor Alvaro Alsogaray the former Ecomony Minister. But many sceptical Argentines recall that a similar denationalization the public debt now amounts years ago, when the military teak the foreign debt now amounts to about £8,500m.

In addition, inflation is served to the public debt now amounts to about £8,500m.

took power from President Isabel Peron, but was never carried out.

In the eyes of political parties, who scented blood when the military's second President, General Roberto Viola, was overthrown last December, demands to about £8,500m. In addition, inflation is running at 138.1 per cent, among the highest in the world last year, an estimated 1.580,000 are out of work, and there are no unemployment benefits.

In a television Second Second

President, General Roberto
Viola, was overthrown last
December, denationalization
is akin to treason. Pamphlets
deploring the alleged new
"colonization" of Argentina
were scattered in Buenos
Aires streets recently. The
junta, determined to keep a
firm rein on dissent, made
several arrests.

Government officials tend
to play down the economic

In a television interview,
Señor Alemann said he would
stop printing money in June,
get the Government of ut of business and refrain from
interfering in trade.
The question is, will be be
allowed to? The Government
faces a crisis of confidence in
the armed forces, and the
army high command jailed
General Juan Carlos Ongania,
to play down the economic

for a month for statements an end to the liberalism on Argentina. The retired gen-eral is said to have the nationalist lower-ranking officers, who are unwilling to in this country the public sector has now become the main engine of inflation. I agree with the principle that

President Galtieri appears the criticism directed at in all institutions producing his Government so soon after assuming office. When touring a new children's hospital last week he told a group of pensioners who were heck-ling him: "Remember, I will be an old age pensioner, too, some day". A woman replied: Yes, but you will not be receiving the minimum pen-sion." The President turned

away, irritated.

A union official said last eek that the patience of Argentine workers was wear-ing thin. He told the weekly news magazine, Somos, that the trade unions had been patient with the two previous military governments "Because we were asked to give the Government time to solve the country's problems. the country's problems-but the Government did

not make use of our cooperation. We were deceived." ation. We were deceived."

The multi-party grouping, which includes the Justicialists (Peronists), the powerful Radicals, the Christian Democrats, the Movement for Integration and Development and the lintransigent Party, is strongly opposed to the Government's economic policies and is expected to call for a national strike later this week. Peroust sources say the unions have already promised the political parties their support for the strike.

TO HAND

"Subject only to the police power, the right of an individual citizen to keep and bear arms shall not be infringed."

If that fails, the NRA will take its challenge to federal level and argue that Morton Grove's ban violates the Second Amendment to the American Constitution which

gives a qualified right to

I don't know how far journalists associated with the Morning Star approve of best-sellerdom, that accolade of the capitalist market-place, but I hope that they are all pleased with their colleague Robert Leeson's recent achievement. Ever since The Times began to publish its lists of best-selling books his name has appeared in one name has appeared in one chart or another, and now fontana books are celebrating the sale of the one millionth copy of the three books in his paperback "Grange Hill" series.

Properly enough the sale Properly enough the sale has taken place in a school—
in the school bookshop at Blackthorn Middle School, Northampton—and this should be doubly satisfying for Mr Leeson. For while it suits nicely the character of the series as a portrayal of contemporary school life, it also acknowledges the author's acceptance of his audience as a partner in the audience as a partner in the books' success. Bob Leeson is not merely dismissive of writers who write only for themselves—"the quintessence of bourgeois egoism?"—he actively seeks the help of young readers in the planning and writing of his books.

The existence of this ready-made factional compressions.



Grange Hill: a successful series on television and in print in 1980) is that it may help to children's literature more what he calls "the state

advance his campaign "to change the landscape of children's literature". For the "Grange Hill" books are not just re-tellings of the plots from the successful television series — although the writer of that series, Phil Redmond, is always acknowl-edged on the book's covers and in their imprints. The conceived, self-contained adventures, using the charac-ters known to the television

ready-made fictional compre-What may also be satisfy bensive school with its mixing to Mr Leeson about his ture of social groups was a rapidly won fame (the first useful ground-plan for a "Grange Hill" book appeared writer who looks to make

relevant to working class school story which has to be children — which is what a community story, as "changing the landscape" parents, police, others in seems to be about. For 10 years now Bob Leeson has pupils". (And among those years now Bob Leeson has pupils". (And among those argued with patience and unspecified others you may books which will take the politicians and account of characteristics. books which will take account of changes in society and serve as a counterweight to (not a replacement of) the "middle class" literature of important sports and serve as a counterweight to (not a replacement of) the "middle class" literature of important sports and despite the high scape is still recognizable and the "Grange Hill" saga ers are not very far away-

slangy quips of homo comprehensions, and every book contains little incidents of natural comedy, usually inspired by Tucker Jenkins. But as the stories progress from the carefully worked out, carefully inned Grange Hill Rules OK? through the pastoral Grange Hill for Sale, what craftsmanship there was gives way to a set of predictable manipulations. Plotting is ever more laconic Plotting is ever more laconic (in imitation of television story-lining?). Characters turn to pasteboard. Political issues fraught with worrying complexity are reduced to plot-maker's cement and stuck on like ornaments round the edges. It is pointless to speculate

if these books about Grange Hill would have sold a million copies if they had not been boosted by the long-running children's soap opera. Their growing resemblance to the mass-market school story of "middle class" literature of hopes, and despite the high scape is still recognizable sizes it must be confessed Greyfriars and Malory Toward in a lightweight entertainment, The Third Class proportion to the landscaping error are not very far away-proportion to the landscaping empted rape going on now-landback by Hamish Bob. For sure his contact with the consumers has his chance to expand upon ted). He is very good at the Brian Alderson is still recognizable. Greyfriars and Malory Toward error for away-ers are not very far away-even if there is some attraction of Capability adays, and some fascist demonstrations—and even if with the consumers has Mr. Leeson can't spell and in "Grange Hill" he got capitalist a term is permitted). He is very good at the Brian Alderson

Anger at British 'snub' to acid rain talks

From Tony Samstag, Brussels, Feb 4

European environment patterns and the use of very alists are angry at the refusal high smokestacks intended to of Mr Michael Heseltine, the disperse the pollutants as Secretary of State for the widely as possible. Environment, to attend a Mr Mats Segnestam, execuministerial conference on tive director of the Swedish
acid rain in Stockholm next Society for the Conservation
June. Of 15 European countries that have so far Heseltine's refusal of the
responded to the invitation, Stockholm invitation was "a

long-range airborne pollution were "trying to duck the that affects a large area of issue", he added. central and northern Europe, The Department of the

Environmental Bureau, ment, was planning to attend which represents about 70 the Stockholm meeting, but, national conservation agen- a spokesman added, no snub-cies and pressure groups, was intended. "This is the consistently criticized what way that ministerial business they see as a lack of urgency is conducted", he said. The in controlling emissions of Government was extremely sulphur dioxide, in particusensitive to the issue of acid lar. Such emissions tend to rain. concentrate over Scandinavia because of an unfortunate expression for the effects of gives a quali-coincidence of airstream certain kinds of air pollution possess arms.

responded to the invitation, Stockholn invitation was "2 Monday to possess a many only the British are sending an official of less than Britain by Mr Anders ministerial rank.

Collective European anger ter of Agriculture, had at the British, who are held responsible for much of the suspicions that the British long-range airborne pollution were "trying to duck the long-range area of issue", he added.

Monday to possess a many gun. The National Rifle Association, which has a million feeting a many groups, is financing an appeal by two Morton Grove that affects a large area of issue", he added.

The Department of tite was evident at a seminar on the subject in Brusseis that ended yesterday.

Members of the European Secretary for the Environ-

"Acid rain" is a shorthand

CHALLENGE **GUNS BAN**

From Christopher Thomas
New York, Feb 4
The influential pro-gun
lobby in the United States is
about to launch its first
important legal challenge
against the small Illinois town of Morton Grove, where it has been illegal since last Monday to possess a hand

The case will centre on an interpretation of the Illinois constitution, which says:

مكذا من الأصل

over and a chilling

Television

Guarded humour

Queen Mary asked him to sing his uncensored version of "When I'm Cleaning Windows", the Russians voted him second favourite to Stalin — which meant, if you think about it, he was probably No 1 — and he was earning £100,000 a year in 1938 as Britain's most beloved film star. It seems George Formby had only one piece of bad luck; his wife, Beryl, was the proverbial ball and chain. She was the and chain. She was the business brain, and the bad luck made him.

His father, a famous Ed-wardian comedian, had meant wardian comedian, nau mean, him to be a jockey and sent him off as an apprentice but, when father died, George junior — who had not won a race - took to the boards and before long was fancying one of two clog-dancing sisters from Accrington.

The George Formby Story, presented by Forty Minutes on BBC 2 last night, suggested that George never ceased fancying women but, after he had caught Beryl, fancying was as far as he fancying was as far as he could go. The melon mouth, bear-trap teeth, clattering ukulele and giggling innuendo were the props of a marital prisoner under strict

guard, on and off set. In his films he only managed to kiss one leading lady, Googie Withers, and Phyllis Calvert, who made Let George Do It with him in 1940, testified that Beryl's security was so good that he only managed to appear in her dressing room door for a brief but eloquent "Ee, I'm crazy about you."

That film, in which George, in a dream sequence, punched Hitler on the nose, was said to have raised morale to its highest level during the war. This was the film the Russians saw, which ran for a year, re-named Dinky Doo, in Moscow, and which might, had Uncle Joe been a more fair-minded chap, have given a lad from Wigan the No 2 position for a May Day

During the war, where Churchill went George was likely to follow. He was the first entertainer to visit the Middle East and altogether entertained some three mil-lion Allied troops. And Berylwent, too.

After the war it all sagged a little but in the Fifties he was back at the top in Zip Goes a Million until a beart attack cut him short and house. Beryldene, of course.

Then cancer struck Beryl and she turned to the bottle Michael Dean, who wrote and narrated this excellent essay in nostalgia, reported that during this period George was about to revolt as Beryl had denied him the solace of the Catholic Church but, in her illness, George stuck by her and testified on television

She died in 1960. George shocked everyone who had not glimpsed the chains or heard the rattle by announcing his engagement to a young Catholic schoolteacher six weeks later. Within two weeks of that, he had a heart attack and died. It had not turned out nice again after all. Now his films and the determined strumming of the George Formby Society en-sure that the memory lingers

It was a happy, sad story, well produced by Ann Paul with good witnesses in Irene Handl, Tommy Trinder, Bill Logan and Phyllis Calvert: another well-occupied Forty

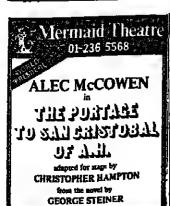
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Cinema

Masterly vision of moral collapse

The Contract (AA) Gate, Camden Town

Polish Cinema:

The Non-Realists National Film Theatre

A Girl From Lorraine (AA)

Academy

Deadly Blessing (X)

Studio, Oxford Street: Classic, Haymarket

Hell Night (X)

Classics, Oxford Street, Leicester Square

If there were more picturegoers in the Foreign Office and the State Department, diplomatic under-standing of the Polish situation might well be more profound. Looking back over the whole of cinema history, it is not too much to say that at no time have artists so clearly expressed the crisis and the conscience of a nation as did the Polish film-makers from the late Seventies to the end of 1981. The latest issue of Sight and Sound contains one of the last interviews with Andrzej Wajda before the December takeover. The interviewer, Gustaw Moszcz, comments: "In the context of a degenerating political system which encouraged nepotism rather than intelligence, Wajda's cinema was one of the last bastions of hope, honesty, integrity and genu-ine democratic ideals . . . His films captivated Polish audiences films captivated Polish audiences through their ability to summarize and encapsulate the byzantine complexities of the Polish state, vivid visual statements of the social malaise. Increasingly they became vehicles for dramatic analysis of the collapse of social morality, destroying the lives of private, impotent individuals . . "

The authorities were keenly aware of Wajda's effort. In 1978 Index reprinted parts of a code of

Index reprinted parts of a code of practice spirited out by some mole in the Polish censor's office, the year before. "His theatrical and film output and the interviews he

gives", concluded the censorship, "demonstrate that, in ideological and political terms, he is not with

us. He takes the stand, often met with in artists, of an 'impartial judge' of the history of our days."

Alongside Wajda stands Krzysztof Zanussi, whose films — in particular the triptych formed by Canouflage, The Constant Factor and The Contract — have few parallels as analyses of moral decay and self-deceit. The Contract is the last of them to arrive in London and seems in retreasure. London and seems in retrospect the most remarkable. I first saw it at a preview in the Warsaw the most remarkable. I first saw it at a preview in the Warsaw television studios in the early summer of 1980, at the moment of the first reports of strikes on the Baltic coast. At that time it seemed very remarkable for its outspokenness; but it is only now, with the hindsight of the succeeding 18 months, that we can wholly appreciate this microcosm of a society on the verge of moral collapse.

collapse.

Like a lot of the most profound social and moral analyses in art social and moral analyses in art—
like Sterne, Chekhov, Buñuel or
Renoir's La Regle du Jeu, with
which The Contract has some
superficial resemblances— it
carries its wisdom lightly. For the
first time Zanussi works through
laughter, and shows himself a
master of the comedy that borders
on farce.

on farce.

The film is the story of a wedding party, and of the family, and guests who bravely try to keep up appearances even though the bride flees from the altar and the groom ends up setting the house on fire. The opening scene, where the horses of the privileged almost run down an innocent citizen, a little old lady who is only trying to feed the birds, is a metaphor which comes in handy for ulterior reflection: this is that destruction of "the lives of private, impotent

The marriage begins far from The marriage begins far from auspiciously as the guests arrive for the civil formalities which precede the church ceremony, though the groom's father beams persistently through every setback. His first wife, the groom's mother, arrives hatchet-faced and unforgiving. The bride's father, some sort of Official; radiates the authentic chill of officialdom and deplores such demonstrations of democracy as inviting his driver to democracy as inviting his driver to eat with the guests. Foreign relations and friends add to the dismay and confusion; "How damned rude", says the bride's father, "to come here unable to speak a word of Polish".

The comedy builds up as the party moves on to the rizzy villa just built by the groom's father—a cardiologist with some evidently very profitable business sidelines. There are high jinks in the Swedish sauna, a kleptomaniac at large, a couple locked in the bathroom a rack of figure does on bathroom, a pack of fierce dogs on



Patience against flamboyance: Maya Komarowska (left) and Leslie Caron in "The Contract"

the night and snow; and the cat has done something dreadful under the carpet. The groom's father rekindles an old flame for his flamboyant French sister-in-law (Leslie Caron); his wife (Maya Komarowska) looks patiently on, the single representative of com-parative sanity and solidity.

The guest of honour, a Minister, makes a regal descent. Everyone, it turns out, is intent on trading what favours he can. The Minister eyes a seductive woman and asks if it is a car or flat she needs. Everyone is on the make, down to the passing punk who wants a medical certificate to excuse himself from school the morning after. Not even the Church itself can stand outside the universal game of bending, breaking or evading the rules.

Zanussi's structure is masterly. The farce escalates; the laughter grows desperate and suddenly dies away; the calm Komarowska is left alone with the little bride, now returned and chastened, as they wander in the woods. "What has happened — all this mess within us and around us? Where will it lead?" Now, of course, we know.

lead?" Now, of course, we know.

Zanussi' as writer-director is both deep and lucid. His special genins is the ability to pose the most fundamental problems, of how to live, how to discover some constant values for existence (in The Contract this is the difficult quest of the hapless bride and groom, central figures in the moral chaos). At the same time he is able to perceive the problems in a large historical context.

This special historical sense has

This special historical sense has since been demonstrated in his fibu about the Poland of Pope John Paul II, From a Far Country. the rampage, the groom drunk out When it was shown in Venice in Zegadlowicz about a boy maturing of his mind, the aged namy September that film was received in a town under Austrian rule. wandering off all resentment into with some hostility. Last week the Filip Bajon's stylized 1901: Chil-

Manila, Festival gave a fresh opportunity to see it and to discover that with the perspective of the months between we can better recognize the film's stature, alongside Wajda's Man of Iron, as an epic witness of Poland's history.

There are some personal footnotes to The Contract. Tadeusz Lomnicki, who plays the groom's father, is now barely recognizable as the idealistic young hero of Wajda's early classic A Generation; in the years since then he has become an important political figure within the Party. Maya Komarowska, who plays his wife, is still in Warsaw, giving less time now to acting than to organizing food and other relief for internees. The jully, plump comedienne who sings at the wedding, and is later prominent at the party, is now in prison. She is an actress whose career, except for the Solidarity months, has long been curtailed because of political disapproval:

also appears in Camouflage, though her name is not found on the credit titles) have been prepared to give her work in films. Next week the National Film Theatre is presenting a short season of some of the less significant Polish films of the past year or so. The most interesting among them are period pieces set in the early years of the century when much of Poland was a part of Imperial Russia — a delicate historical situation (given modern parallels) with which Polish filmmakers were long forbidden to deal. Agnieska Holland's Fever adapts a complex novel by Andrzej Strug about a frustrated terrorist attempt. Wojciech Marczewski's Nightmares is from a novel by Emil

few directors except Zanussi (she

dren on Strike draws more obvious contemporary parallels from its story of children striking against receiving religious education in the German language.

Claude Goretta's La Provinciale (shown here as A Girl from Lorraine) exemplifies the Swiss director's gentle, affectionate observation in its portrait of an individual fighting for a place in a society that is not so much hostile as merely indifferent. Christine comes from Lorraine, where she cannot find work, in the hopes of finding some opportunity in Paris. The prospects prove, though, little brighter. The men she meets tend to be predatory or seriously neurotic; she finds her own sex resorting to any demeaning means finding a livelihood. In the end she flees back to the old uncomfortable certainties of the provinces.

Nathalie Baye smiles an awful lot, but cannot intimate the depths that Isabelle Huppert gave to Goretta's The Lace Maker, so that the whole thing seems finally rather insubstantial.

The schlocky horror shows linger still, with their familiar formulas, much slaughter of teenagers, heavy breathing, irregulary. lar footsteps in the night, and cut-up corpses dropping out all over the place. There is frankly not much to choose between them. Tom de Simone's Hell Night sticks close to the formula with college kids picked off, Little Indian style, by something nasty in an old dark house. Deadly Blessing, directed by Wes Craven, fishes a lot of red herrings out of the conflict between an obscurantist back-woods religious sect and new-comers with tractors, every mod con and Jezebel lingerie to torment Zegadlowicz about a boy maturing the flesh of the God-fearing.

Theatre

David Robinson

Concert The voice of magic

BBCSO/Gielen

Festival Hall/Radio 3

I imagine the Festival Hall was so empty on Wednesday simply because most people realize that Schoenberg's realize that Schoenberg's Erwartung is an opera and felt that any concert performance would of necessity misrepresent it. They could not have been more wrong. Erwartung staged is one thing, but Erwartung out of the theatre becomes entirely an opera of the mind, and for reasons that this performreasons that this perform-

reasons that this performance made quite clear.

To begin with, it had the great benefit of Phyllis Bryn-Julson as the unnamed sole character of what Schoenberg called his "monodrama". Miss Bryn-Julson has the exceedingly recognition. has the exceedingly rare gift of making angular, atonal melody sound like song and not some sort of agonised raving, and here the was consistently marvellous. Everything was beautifully sung, without lapses into fake expressionist speechfake expressionist speechsong; everything was clear
and audible without any
screeching exaggeration of
the fact that some fairly
extreme emotions are being
expressed. The music was
simply allowed to do its
work.
And I intend no dismissal
of Miss Bryn-Julson's magnificent performance in suggesting that its main point
was to direct attention to the

was to direct attention to the orchestra. At the first critical juncture of the work, when the first of the four sections is about to end, the woman announces that she will sing, but this is not tautology: we hear her song in a high violin solo, a touching moment enhanced here by Rodney Friend, and we are alerted to the fact that the real drama is going on in the orchestra.

For although, like Wagner and Strauss before him,

Schoenberg made his most violently exposed operatic character a woman, establishing a distance that kept art from merging with life and perhaps driving him mad, the great freedom of his atonal style allowed his orchestra to become something much more than the accompani-ment it still is for Kundry and Salome. It has its own life as a fantastic succession of melodies, chords and repeating patterns, all of which Michael Glelen brought to tumble out of the BBC Symphony Orchestra in axquisite, delicate, vivid array, proving at last that Erwartung is not about a woman deranged but rather about imagining her, remorselessly. Paul Griffiths

Too many questions remain

Zaide

Old Vic

Mozart's Zaide constantly fascinates operatic folk: it consists of 15 musical numbers, but no linking spoken dialogue (being a German Singspiel it would not have sung recitatives). The plot is evidently along the lines of Mozart's subsequent Entführung ous dem Seruil, with a Turkish pasha, a favourite female slave and her West European sweetheart.

There is also Allazim, a renegade Christian, who does not figure in Entführung. Indeed, from the clues of the musical numbers it seems that the outcome of Zaide will differ distinctly from what we know in English as The Seraglio. The extant music, abandoned long before the finale, is too beautiful to ignore. Adam Pollock, the scenic designer who runs the Musica nel Chiostro company, which gives operas in Tuscany with British forces, took the problem to the writer Italo Calvino in Rome.

The task evidently attracted Calvino, not as a straightforward practical job, viz. work out a text to motivate each musical number, draw the characters roundly, in dialogue that explains who they are, and invent a denouement. It appealed to him as an intellectual exercise in liter-

ary choice. Calvino left the singing characters as in Mozart, singing the original German words, but not actually speaking dialogue. That is done for them by a narrator, presumably Calvino thinking aloud, in this production replaced by Marius Goring who speaks William Weaver's English translation of Calvino's text — and who makes a star turn of the part.

For a while, motivation is easy, though Calvino postulates several alternatives for the action leading to Allazim's escape with the two Allazim's escape with the two lovers. Is he in love with Zaide, and why does he protect and accompany them, given that he is the Vizier and confidante of the Pasha?

Allazim remains a mysterious participant in the drama, which may be why William Mackie made so little of a not unsubstantial part. Towards the end of the second half, the possible solutions pro-liferate, some of them maniliferate, some of them mani-festly unacceptable (Goring Pasha's courtship. Her visualizes the author's doubts brother could be the Pasha, a



delightfully, toying with the possibility worth the nar-situation in a vein of gentle rator's investigation, if he self-mockery), none of them were not lost in his poetic a true solution.

Calvino's musings have At least we get to see and threatened to drift away into poetic nothings, and that is piece, affectionately conduction whis version ends: he ted by jane Glover, statu-

dishonesty, or at least a ance, and Robert Dean, not cheat, and thoroughly disappointing — not least because he refuses to consider the possibility (evidenced by the consider of one such Singerial). title of one such Singspiel) that Allazim is father to Zaide.

We may assume that Gomatz is her brother, though that makes a good

refuses to decide on a esquely enacted because the conclusion, and Goring is left drama remains in cold sto-seated on a balcony above the rage, and tolerably well sung singers, dreamily ruminating by Deborah Rees (over-about jewels and odalisques, parted in the heroine's two and the dramatis personae of big arias), Adrian Thompson an operetta that never was an operetta that never was. and Neil Jenkins, two forth-To duck the issue seems to coming tenors, the former me an act of intellectual sadly unheroic in appear-

> vino and Mozart without stage trappings. The set is the Old Vic's sad sale of wardrobe, reasonable for an exercise in theatrical tactics. It is not the justification of Zaide that I hoped to experi-

becomes one of the most exciting and special centres for the performing arts in the country' said Lord Inverforth, chairman of the Aldeburgh Festival-Snape Maltings Foundation, yesterdav. The appointment was an-

nounced of three new associate directors to swell the number to eight, led by Sir Peter Pears, They are Murray Perahia, John Shirley-Quirk and Simon Rattle. The foundation at present has a deficit of £120,000, but Lord Invertorth is optimistic ence: William Mann about its financial survival as

Walking a nervous tightrope

Murder in Mind

Strand

As I last quit this building 10 years ago to write off a show years ago to write off a show which has been running wer since, I would be glad to look with a kindlier eye on the entertainment which has slid into the space vacated by No Sex Please: We're British. But after sitting out Terence Feely's thriller I have to give this moss a vain home. reely's thriller I have to give this up as a vain hope. The evening opens omin-ously with the return of a wide-eyed, febrile Nyree Dawn Porter to a multi-doored hall, panelled in the homicidal baronial style, to

pour out her day's disasters in a phone conversation which we are conveniently allowed to hear too. Her plane has just gone down in flames. On comes Roy Dotrice claiming to be her husband, only to be met with a torreor of terrified denials in which she thoughtfully includes more information for our benefit. The house has 40 acres of parkland, for instance; she is in the art-marketing business which she shares with her husband, sister, and cousin, none of whom, she quavers, bears any resemblance to the sinister trio now making themselves at home with her decanters and combination

telephone, locking her in the bathroom, and then reluc-tantly releasing her for a police examination when they can barely make themselves heard above her hammering from up above. They sail through the Sergeant's identification tests, down to the last strawberry mark, and then resume the attack when they have closed the door on the law. Why did she have two tickets to America? What is

the new combination num-ber? Where is George? Pause, while they collect their shotguns to scour the 40 acres for George. However, Geof-frey Davies is back in a flash, reminding her of how her cousin Peter used to torture her as a child and resuming the game with a bottle of nitric acid (a prop which blossomed into one of the evening's favourite running gags).

Another panic phone call brings her doctor to the rescue — a paternally unflappable Basil Hoskins who appears to be the brains of the operation, and quickly brain-washes her into a family remains though even family reunion; though even he is briefly thrown off his stride when George's body falls out of a cupboard. "Things are going a bit wrong," as one of the gang remarks. Nobody could deny that.

You expect Byzantine compli-They are after the loot, cations in this kind of show, they say, taking away her but Mr Feely's trick of

result, the only watchable performance comes from Philip Lowrie, who has the advantage of playing a real policeman. Irving Wardle Chee-Chee

Situation comedies were

around before television packaged them in half-hour sequences. While working his sequences. White working his way to a calculated disruption of the theatrical experience in Six Characters in Search of an Author, Luigi Pirandello was not above turning his short stories into short plays, as if anticipating

King's Head

Perhaps he anticipates a bit more than that with hints of the anti-illusionist games of his later plays, but what he disrupts in *Chee-Chee* is love's illusion, displaying the reality of the confidence trickster who manages to make money and love out of his practised use of personal charm and private debts.

who may or may not be what they seem has given Anthony Sharp's company a hopeless task. They have no characters to play; all they can do is walk a nervous tightrope between villainous masquerade and family feeling. As a result, the only watchable Chee is a man about town (Kevin Moore), visited by Commander Squatriglia, who has benefited financially from some obscure transaction. His visit of courtesy inspires Chee-Chee to a minor fraud intended to regain three promissory notes from a woman of his intimate acquaintance.

The poor commander, a flustered Neil McCarthy, is set to slandering Chee-Chee in order to destroy his credit, and buy back the IOUs at a discount. Obscure reasoning leads the commander to his task, but the neatness of Pirandello's psychology only reveals itself when Chee-Chee returns to slander the com-mander and appeal for the

mander and appeal for the woman's sympathy, which Barbara Berkery enthusiastically supplies.

Pirandello retains a sardonic view but the production is more earnest than enthusiastic. Although it is salightening to see what enlightening to see what Pirandello was doing before he was 40, his maturity was more impressive, and what London lacks is major productions of the major works.

Ned Chaillet

Aldeburgh branches out

The Aldeburgh Festival is to well its artistic success. The Foundation is expected soon to announce a "windfall" be expanded to include ballet and drama as well as concerts and opera as part of an attempt to bring it new life and increased interest. In addition jazz and folk music which will cover its immediate financial difficulties. The spring programme will include visits by the Adolf Friedriks Bachkor from Sweden, the Scottish Chambwill play an important part in the activities at the Snape Maltings. The aim is "to er Orchestra, the Midnite Follies Jazz Orchestra, the Orchestra of St John's, Smith ensure that the Maltings Square, and Northern Ballet Theatre. An unusual departure for the Maltings, in

April, will be the only concert outside London of the folk-singer and songwriter Carole King.
The Aldeburgh Festival will run from June 11 to 27

and will include a new production by Kent Opera of Britten's arrangement of The Beggar's Opera as well as first visits to Snape by the Royal Shakespeare Company performing anthologies— Sadler's Wells Royal Ballet and the City of Birmingham. Symphony Orchestra.

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Roy Jenkins: the ayes have it

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casionally caught glimpses and direction of the party, of a rather less glamorous beast, possessed of Mr such a view is hard to Jeukins' fastidiousness, Dr Owen's bad temper, Mr This last point is also the Rodgers' lack of charisma, and Mrs Williams' inde-cision, ("Has it occurred to looks and your brains?"). Nevertheless, the success of the quadrumvirate has been quite sufficient to prompt the obvious ques-tion; why change a winning formula? Why must Dr Owen start stirring things up with tiresome "challenges" and the like? Why start a leadership contest now, and indeed why start

provides for a leadership argument. election in the carly autumn by an electoral Rev Ion college consisting of MPs. It may well be amended to provide that in the first leadership elections the electoral college should consist of the entire membership of the party, but there is no suggestion that the quadrumvirate should

Was the Test match series which ended here yesterday between India and England the dullest of all time? Probably not, has to be the

answer, though it came fairly

play had been completely pointless in terms of results.

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rize what has taken place in

recent weeks in those sort of

there is no provision in baseball for a drawn match, a

clearcut result has never

been considered essential in

cricket. In fact many cricket lovers would cite famous

instances where a side has

and draw among their most

India and Pakistan — in Pakistan, 1954-55, and in India, 1960-61 — would appear in most lists. Ten

Most cricket enthusiasts,

India won the first match G Boycott

in four days, and the next GAGooch five all petered out tamely in draws, meaning that 25 days' KWR Flet

Unlike the United

for instance, where

C J Richards

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R G D Willis

J E Embury

*Not Out

There has, in fact, been a five Tests in 1963-64 when, as

great deal of stimulating in recent weeks, the pitches cricket played in the Test were just too perfect. matches just finished, with Cricket's appeal for its

with not a gesture or any the captains usually try to attempt made by either side contrive a clearcut result.

some fine batting to enjoy.

Everyone will have their own examples of cricket's dullest examples but those between ment to say that they do

For the first year of their rate in public), considering existence, the Social Democrats have done pretty weil 'operations where the party made out of Mr Jenkins' machine, and keeping the weight and experience, Dr party's parliamentary end up. But the point is now Mr Rodgers' solid political being reached where none Mrs of these different activities extraordinary can any longer be detached from the others. A view has to be taken for better or Admittedly we have oc- worse on the whole stance

This last point is also the key to the question "Why have a contest at all?" The vou", said Shaw to Mrs fact is that each or the row gangsters represents not emperative my only different temperative also different ments but also different aspirations and ways of looking at the future of the party. It is not always easy to separate these strands, but it is important to realize that calculations of per-sonal advantage are only half the story. The half is that four very able and civilized politicians, having risked a great deal together and having already achieved an astonishing amount, are. The answer to the "why genuinely enjoying somenow?" part is easy enough. thing new and significant in Time is getting on. The each other's company. But constitutional convention an examination of the scene of the SDP takes place in as it appears from their two weeks' time and will very individual viewpoints debate a clause which may cast some light on the

supporters described him party that is primarily a the other day as "an old radical alternative to the man in a hurry". The first Labour Party and is prepart of the description is pared both by temperament perhaps unkind for a very well preserved 61-year-old, to become a predominantly but the "hurry" part is middle-class alternative to certainly right. Unlike the the Tories. Dr Owen is the quadrumvirate should be retained.

Another factor is the practical need for a final arbiter with authority to settle disputes, treat with other parties, and provide definitive answers to the media in the crucial eighteen months' run-up to the mext election. Surprisingly few wires get crossed (at any wires get crossed (at any serious charce of becoming the must regard the others, he must regard the next election as his last what exactly he means by serious chance of becoming "radical", and what causes he he has a genuine enthusis.

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Mr Rodgers. He is a Jenkins man, and though he has a genuine enthusis.

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Roy Jenkins: he can handle the Gang

come now. It follows that the Alliance is far more important to him than the SDP as such, and now that Mr Steel has said he will serve under him, the Lib-eral connection is more valuable than the balance of the SDP catches a respectable minimum sufficient to as so often, to be in two block a Steel government.
Mr Jenkins's disapproval of
Mr Rodgers's entirely
reasonable warning shot across Liberal bows at Christmas is highly signifi-

O Dr Owen. He is often accused of ruthless ambition, and no doubt he has may cast some light on the a fair share of it. But his main objection to Mr Jenkins is that he (Jenkins)

8 Roy Jenkins. One of his does not see the SDP as a and self-interest to allow it

From Kanpur, Richard Streeton sums up England's cricket tour of India

The glorious certainty of statistics

The Indian tour: England's performance

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captains to slow down the tempo, and later this year the legislators are expected to lay down a mandatory number of

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plus spectators who watched India and England, the over-

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There were political and

national undertones to these

games, of course, but India

Cricket's appeal for its devotees has seldom lain

lt might be an overstate-

ment to say that they do not

mind about the outcome of a

game but it is a definite fact that the poorest attendances

in the County Championship

successive Tests were drawn come on the third day when a day, but for the million-

and England elso prew all

theless, on an emotional level, Dr Owen is right. Mr in the sense that he would like to change the constitution. He is an old-fashioned liberal-minded centrist, and his image, like Campbell Bannerman's, is of a man who still represents

"The accursed power that stands on privilege And goes with women and champagne and bridge."

owen consider the leadership of the party outside all if Mr Jenkins is given a
Parliament as much more run for his money and is
than a device to console the
loser, but she would probably take it all the same if specifically SDP (as opshe stands and then loses. she stands and then loses.

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already signs in Australia that five-day tests have lost their appeal compared with

one-day games and some-thing similar could follow in India in the years ahead — but this is a spectator reaction. In India, where time means so little, that is some way off.

All this series has pro-

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P, G A Gooch; 7, I T Botham; 6, K W R Fletcher; 5, M W Gatting; 3, P J W Allot; G Boycott and J E Emburey; 2, G Cook; G R Dilley, D I Gower, D L Underwood; 1, J K Lever and R J D Willis.

The 1981-82 Tests have riding consideration was that

been unusual in that in four India should retain their 1-0

not completed until the fifth match nowadays is no longer

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agreement on a cautious they were at Oxford togeth-line which will distinguish er more than 30 years ago, them from the Government. and at a basic level he Nor is it at all clear that Dr probably does not take her Owen's (as opposed to Mr very seriously. He is irri-Enoch Powell's) "radical-tated by Dr Owen's tactlessism" is what working-class voters want anyway. Nevertheless, on an emotional level, Dr Owen is right. Mr Jenkins, whatever he may favour of the idea that have been in the past, is not Jenkins should be leader in

The conclusions of all this are not very hard to make out. First of all, it is perfectly obvious that Mr Jenkins has got to be leader This combination may not of the party. He is the only necessarily turn off the one under whom Mr Steel could serve, but he is also could serve, but he is also the only one who could valuable than the balance of potentially winnable seats between the two parties — provided, of course, that the SDP catches a respectable minimum sufficient to a specific provided to the sale of the serve, but he is also the only one who could handle all the other three position of the Gang from the position of leader. The notion that he could someable minimum sufficient to be in the sale of the Alliance has also the other three only one who could handle all the other three position of leader. The notion that he could someable minimum sufficient to the sale of the other three only one who could handle all the other three position of leader. The notion that he could some also the only one who could handle all the other three only one who could handle all the other three only one who could handle all the other three only one who could handle all the other three only one who could handle all the other three only one who could handle all the other three only one who could handle all the other three only one who could handle all the other three only one who could handle all the other three only one who could handle all the other three only one who could handle all the other three of the Gang from the only one who could handle all the other three of the Gang from the other three only one who could handle all the other three only one who could handle all the other three of the Gang from the other three only one who could handle all the other three of the other three only one who could handle all the other three only one who could handle all the other three only one who could handle all the other three only one who could handle all the other three only one who could handle all the other three only one who could handle all the other three only one who could handle all the other three only one who could handle all the other three only one who could handle all the other three only one who could handle all the other three only one who could handle all the other three only one of the other three only one of the other three minds. In some moods she not the SDP is hopelessly recognizes that Mr Jenkins artificial. On the other is the only possible leader hand, it is equally obvious of the Alliance and there. fore of the party. In others resist a walk-over. There she listens to the voices of ought to be a contest, otherwise the suppressed conscience (she is probably the only genuine resemble strains and resemble resembles to the suppressed strains. the only genuine socialist among the four will acturemaining among the four), ally grow. A leadership which admonish her to fight will clear the air, shake her head over Mr legitimize the winner, and Jeokins. Her own star validate whichever policies naturally also tempts her to and visions of the future he run. Neither she nor Dr or she represents. More-Owen consider the leader- over it will do no harm at

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How Mubarak sets the new Cairo style

by Christopher Walker

Cairo When President Mohammed Hosni Mubarak arrives in London tomorrow, he will be leaving behind an Egypt whose internal mood, style of government and approach to foreign relations has altered significantly since the as-sassination of President Sadat less than four months

While an increasingly anxious Israeli Cabinet has been quick to coin the phrase 'de-Sadatization" to describe what it fears might be a gradual end to the spirit which led to the 1979 peace treaty, Egyptians from every walk of life are fulsome in their praise of the approach being adopted by their work-manlike new leader. Even naturally cautious diplomats have been impressed by the performance of a man many considered incapable of mov-

ing so adroitly into the job. Although large, idealized portraits of the former presi-dent still adorn many public places in Cairo (possibly as a deliberate reminder of the cult of personality which he is now blamed for encouraging), little respect is being shown for his memory. At the last count, one academic researcher had already noted 216 new anti-Sadat jokes which have been circulating since his death.

In stark contrast, the 53year-old President Mubarak — once the butt of local jokes aimed at his alleged lack of intelligence — has so far escaped the type of cruel, personalized humour which in the past bas so often served as a form of political afety valve for ordinary Egyptians. appreciated

Particularly appreciated has been his strict order that members of his family are not to benefit from the presidency and instructions that all pictures of his attractive, half-Welsh wife Susan are to be kept out of the newspapers. This early move accurately pinpointed deep resentment felt at the role played by Mrs Jihan Sadat, and returned to the protocol familiar under

Nasser.
President Mubarak has also decreed that there should be no more fawning public advertisements singing his praises, and has swiftly handed the opulent string of rest houses popular with the Sadat entourage back to the nation. One of the luxury residences near the Pyramids was even publicly bulldozed as part of a clearance scheme, a canny symbolic move in a country where the average annual income is still less than £200 a year.

game excels cricket for its capacity to yield records and no followers revel in the statistical aspect of the game more than the Indians. There was hardly a day in the series Perhaps the most graphic when there was not someexample of the change in style will come on April 26, the day that Israel is schedthing statistical to enjoy. In the second Test at Bangalore remaining one-third of the occupied Sinai. Instead of the grandiose and somewhat vulgar celebrations which marked earlier handovers of land lost in 1967, Mr Muba-rak has banned all pomp and over Christmas it was Geoffrey Boycott passing Gary Sobers's world record Test circumstance in favour of a low-key ceremony. career aggregate that claimed the limelight. Quick to identify the shaky

condition of Egypt's econ-Then came Madras, with Viswanath's 222 failing by nine runs to become India's biggest ever Test score. Here omy as the main problem to be dealt with (and the main threat to the future stability of the government), Presi-dent Mubarak has quickly in Kanpur there was always the comforting knowledge, in inaugurated schemes to cut a match that lost ten hours to wasteful spending the weather, that India were about to clinch the series.

Among Egypt's parliamenduring the final days of President Sadat. His main tactic has been to begin a process of regular consul-tation while trying to isolate the most extreme Muslim



Shaikh Kishk, not considered into a deficit which is an immediate threat.

Ibrahim Shukri, leader of the opposition Socialist Labour Party (which has 12 seats in the 390-seat Parliament), now writes a weekly column in one of Cairo's main newspapers. His party is negotiating with the government about being alowed air time on television and his banned newspaper, Al-Shaab, will reappear with presidential blessing on May

Sitting in his offices under a fading portrait of President Sadat, which the Parliament officials have not yet re-placed, Mr Shukri spoke warmly of the new approach being adopted to the oppo-sition. "We now have per-sonal access to the President on all important matters, and I know that I can call him any time on the phone."

Further evidence of the new liberalization will come later this month when Dr Hilmi Mourad, the party's deputy leader takes his place at the three-day economic conference being organized by the government in an effort to hammer out Egypt's next five-year plan. Only a few months ago, Dr Mourad was languishing in a 10-man cell, branded as a threat to national security.

As yet, the majority of have identified the main frustrations felt by the 42 million Egyptians. A widely-predicted target of the Cairo economic conference will be the excesses in luxury consumption caused by the 1974 open door economic policy, although in general the policy will remain in force. Perhaps realizing that

moves will one day have to be made to unscramble a subsidy system which costs the exchequer \$5,000m a year, the President has insisted that formulation of economic reforms takes the form of a national dialogue, of which the conference will be the tary and extra-parliamentary focal point. Commenting on opposition, Mr Mubarak has its prospects, one diplomat succeeded more effectively said: "Unfortunately the than most observers expected in defusing the dangerous are already known. It is just tensions which had built up that most are too unpalatable".

slump in the tourist trade, a slowing down in the growth of oil revenues and other the most extreme Muslim factors, Egypt has seen its fundamentalists by releasing \$1,500m balance of payments those detainees like the blind surplus in 1980 transformed

expected to reach \$500m by the end of the fiscal year in June.

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In foreign relations, the widely-predicted move back towards closer ties with the Arab world has begun, with emphasis on semi-private contacts with such potential; friends as Saudi Arabia; rather than any dramatic gestures. Much energy has been expended on emphasizing Egypt's non-aligned sta-tus, while Arab governments have been told firmly that Egypt has no intention of scrapping the peace with Israel.

The gradual rapprochment with the Soviet Union, al-though watched with intense suspicion from America's Cairo Embassy (its third largest in the world) is seen with more equanimity by west European governments, who seem convinced that an exchange of ambassadors is inevitable in the post-Sadat era. All signs point to a levelling out of the extremes of President Sadat's latterday policies, rather than any imminent, 180° turn from Egypt's pro-Western position. Inevitably, economic minis-

ters were at the heart of President Mubarak's first Cabinet re-shuffle last month, the one aspect of his new government which has changes have been ones of failed to win much approval approach rather than policy. But their importance comes from the way in which they have identified the main there is a strong feeling. that it was only temporary m nature and will require a follow-up.

Altogether 12 new ministers were brought in and the main economic post went to Abdel-Fattah Ibrahim, a former governor of the Central Bank who is handicapped by continuing ill health. Uncertainty, and lingering doubts prevail among western governments about why Mr Mubarak failed to pick a more impressive team.

As with Mr Mubarak's other policies, the emphasis is on caution, a determined avoidance of the flamboyance and unpredictability associated with Anwar Sadat, and a conscious effort to run a government more responsive to the wishes of the masse From a western point of view, doubts about the post-Sadat era are likely to disappear if the new President's performance ran match his early promise But given Egypt's horrendous social and economic prob-lems, it still remains a big if.

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Revealed at last! the · · · · word to upset MPs

Reg Race's f . . . in the House of Commons was in perfect order. The Labour MP for Wood Green, a not excessively boorish Bennite, uttered the four-letter word which is forbidden, in PHS at least, on Wednesday night during the debate on sex shops. The event, if that is what it was, passed without a murmur in the thirdy attended House. The couple of dozen MPs. present took Race's statement that a sex shop in Lewisham advertised a contacts directory with the slogan "phone them and f . . . them" as grim but unexciting news. Still, it gave The Daily Telegraph

parliamentary sketch writer a chance to grab prominence on the front page, and to treat the readers to a display of asterisks the like of which has seldom been seen outside the pages of Marvel Comics.

Race was quoting from a document, albeit an improbable one, and could, before the Speaker's ruling yesterday, say what he liked. It followed that there were no points of order, no shock and no outrage. MPs reserve that sort of reaction for much more polite words which they use about each other. Then words that would not flutter an eyebrow after dinner can be considered totally impermissible. Among them are "blether", "cad", "cheeky young pup" and "not consonant with personal honour". The ultimate four-letter word in the House of Commons is not f . . . but "liar",

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For Kapil Dev yesterday to make one of Test cricket's quickest centuries was merely a bonus for a full house.

These examples are only a

few of the reasons why for

the enthusiasts present the 1981-82 series was far from

futile. Obviously it was not cricket at its best, but then

so much present day Test cricket does not show the game in its best light.



Congratulations to Peter Tory, my opposite number on the Daily Mirror. He is either a master of disguise who owns his own clip-on moustache, which can be useful in

our profession, or he has the most vigorous growth of hair on any upper lip in Britain. On Tuesday his column was headed with his column was headed with smiling, clean-shaven face. On Wednesday he had sprouted a fine moustache. Yesterday it was gone again. The truth may be that Tory has grown a moustache, but was terrified by what he saw when he looked in the Mirror on Wednesday morning. But I shall be keen to see this morning whether he now sports this morning whether he now sports a floppy hat, dark glasses and a

Literary labours

PHS regards journalism, if not as an idle occupation, at least as a rather luxurious one. How then does beleaguered Michael Foot find time to write wispy letters to The Times like the one published yesterday or embattled Sir Peter Parker to write erudite appreciations of William Blake for this week's New Statesman? Should PHS try running the Labour Party British Rail?

Bush House for sale

The Post Office Staff Superannuation Fund is selling Bush House, valued at more than £30m, over the heads of its tenants, including the BBC external services.

The fund's chief executive,

Raiph Quartano, the man who blocked Lord Grade's platinum bandshake to Jack Gill, said yesterday: "It is correct that we

are selling Bush House." But he would give no hint of the purchaser or price.

Doe-it-yourself Paul Clifford of Wrexham is

turning a fast buck, touring the town by van selling rabbit and chips. After a week, customer reaction has been sufficienty favourable to double his fleet an soon he hopes to cover Clwyd, expanding his range of con-venience foods to rabbitburgers and rabbit pies.
Clifford and his wife, Jo, found

it impossible to make a decent living from their 100-doe rabbit farm. They mortgaged their all and, with the help of a grant from the Welsh Development Agency, set up a rabbit-processing factory able to handle 40,000 animals a week. Rabbit is readily available on most consumer the shelpes most of most supermarket shelves, most of it imported from China, but Clifford claims that his rabbits, all

home-reared, are superior, "not just something you put in a stew".

The meat, long tainted by its association with myxamatosis and wartime substitution for chicken, may be recovering popularity. Last week Simpson's in the Strand week Simpson's in the Strand restored it to the menu for the first time in 30 years. Theirs is cooked in cream and mushroon sauce and costs £4.50 a portion. For the moment Clifford, selling breadcrumbed joints with chips at 70p, is still avoiding Bugs Bunny versus Captain Birds Eye hostilities by keeping his vans to the byways of Wrexham industrial and housing estates where fish fryers do not venture.

Wait for it

Gustave Ledun, director of the armagnac brandy producers' association, was lunching at that most English of establishments, the RAC Club, and though the menu is in French, he seized directly upon potted shrimps and grilled flower selegrilled Dover sole.

The only fish available in his region of Gascony, he says, are tench, and the trick of cooking them is to steep them alive first in milk and then in armagnac. This sounds too cruel for English taste, though not much crueller than the RAC's sommelier. When asked for armagnac, he said:
"That's the drink they make from cognac, isn't it?"

A certain disability

The Royal Institute of British Architects wish to improve access for the disabled to their Grade II listed headquarters in Portland Place. At present there is a metal ramp, which they want to replace



with a permanent stone ramp to give access to wheelchairs
They applied for planning permission from Westminster council on October 14. It was the third week in January before statutory notices about the change appeared on lamp-posts outside the building.

The matter has yet to go to a committee for consideration.

While it is plainly right that architects could not be trusted to design anything so simple as a wheelchair ramp for their own building, it does seem that Michael Heseltine's attempts to cut down. on planning delays face another setback.

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OPTING OUT OF THE NHS

private insurance schemes rose by more than 14 per cent last year, and the building of already today the distinction small private hospitals has is an academic one in too gone forward at a brisk pace. One person in every 14 is now covered: but by the same token, 13 in every 14 are not. The continuing financial problems of the National Health Service contrast sharply with the flourishing condition of the private sector. Many who never shared the wholesale left-wing hostility towards private medicine are beginning to wonder whether such a rapid growth may not after all be a threat. This week the Royal College of Nursing, which said in 1975 that the private sector should be allowed to develop outside the NHS in response to market forces, called for new controls to ensure that the development does not undermine the NHS.

In the short term, it is ared that the growing mber of private hospitals poach expensively trained power from the NHS by ing higher wages. But

overper fear is that the rise private care will bring ut, without anybody ually intending it, a state affairs which the great majority would deplore — a vicious circle where private medicine became the usual option for a substantial proportion of citizens, with the NHS becoming increasingly neglected and impoverished because of a diversion of public pressure to maintain standards. In general terms this prospect is still remote. In any case patients with private cover are likely to look to the NHS for some of their medical needs, such as long-drawn-out nursing care. But there are signs of a

Private medicine has been one of Britain's few boom sectors but non-acute conditions may during the recession. The be years long. Allegedly, number of subscribers to private treatment buys comfort and convenience rather than better medical care, but

> The NHS deserves protection: As a comprehensive system without frills but strong in essentials, it is popular because it is fair, No other country manages to provide equally good care as economically. But as tax-payers we have not been prepared to fund it to a level where it could provide a service as good as private medicine can in the areas where the latter excels. As buyers of insurance, many are ready to pay much more in addition to their taxes. Indirectly these extra funds (more than £160m last year) relieve pressure on the state service, if the threats of poaching of staff and widening disparity standards can be averted.

There are many ways in which it is possible for the two sectors to reinforce each other, and there would be many more were it not for the sense of division left over from the pay-beds contro-versy of the mid 1970s. It was that controversy which launched private medicine in direction that made it. increasingly difficult for it to supplement rather than threaten. The attitudes which brought the 1974 conflict to a head are still very much alive. Last year's Labour Party conference voted to abolish private practise inside the NHS and outside it. Whatever the Labour Party's chances of should be ready to move giving such intentions legis- towards a mutually beneficial lative form, several trade partnership, Political hostility unions with many members in the NHS are bostile to private But there are signs of a practice. But except for an vicious circle in some sectors illiberal minority able to

envisage the expropriation of hospital trusts (to acquire beds that the NHS does not need) or the outlawing of private medical care, the future must be seen to be one of coexistence between the two sectors. If two sectors are to exist, there is an over-whelming economic, medical and social case for bringing them into as close partnership as possible.

The Royal College of Nursing tentatively proposes that future private development should be located in or near NHS hospitals, though in separate buildings. The pri-vate sector is understandably wary of giving hostages to fortune in this way, but in principle the proposal is sensible. The physical separation between private and NHS hospitals wastes many hours of doctors' time, necessitates duplication of beds and equipment and sharpens feelings of resentment and prejudice.

It is essential that the private, sector pay its full share of all NHS facilities it uses: the benefits of the private contribution would be more visible if a share of it went not to swell national funds but to the local hospital itself and to staff involved in providing the service. A private contribution to training costs might also help to restore goodwill, though it is no more logically necessary than a special levy on industry to support education: taxation is designed to take care of that already. The state system, in turn, should publicize and develop amenity beds and other devices that bring it close to what the private system can offer. Both sides partnership. Political hostility to that process would only hasten the growth of the very polarization it seeks to prevent.

HERR SCHMIDT'S POLITICAL REFLATION

Chancellor Helmut Schmidt is The government's aim is France will have confirmed playing for high stakes in two fold. It wants to encour- him in this view. the extreme. Although they demand from German unions that something must be done will have only a small effect. They are a way of heading off more drastic action rather than a solution to Germany's unemployment problem, which with 1,900,000 out of work is getting more and more serious.

The new measures are expected to cost the German government about £3,000m spread over three years. At £1,000m a year that is a much smaller dose of reflation than the CBI and Cabinet wets here would like. It is far less than the job creation programme brought in by the Mitterrand

government in France. The net effect of the German action will be even less, because Value Added Tax is being increased from the middle of next year to pay for the programme. The re-sult will be to increase public spending and increase taxes; hardly Keynesian reflation, more a case of supply side economics in reverse.

Right objectives

From Mr Ronald Spark

in which Mr Alexander Chancellor, Editor of the

"extremist" nature.
I know little or nothing of Mr

law, he is entitled to express his opinions. He is entitled to seek to

reach like-minded individuals

without the stamp of Mr

existence on freedom of infor-mation. Mr Chancellor has lately

begun to contribute a column to a

daily newspaper.
It ill becomes him to play the

censor and deny to others the

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The Spectator depends for its

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Yours truly,

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making his job-creation pack- age investment with public age the subject of a vote of money in the private sector to confidence in the Bundestag increase the economy's long-today. Yet the measures he term ability to grow. And it has introduced are cautious in wants to do something special the same to create provide some response to the jobs, especially for the young unskilled who have been hit by the decline of the conabout unemployment, they struction industry. The investment part of the package is the more important. The government hopes that its assistance will encourage the private sector to put up its own money, so that the total amount of investment will be ten times as large as the

> that things will not be as simple as that. The effects of a similar programme in the mid-seventies were disap-pointing. They showed that the private sector is less impressed by government packages of this kind than it is by prospects for the economy as a whole. These cannot be greatly influenced by small, changes of this kind in the level of government activity. Herr Schmidt shows no sign of being interested in really. large reflation as a way out of Germany's economic prob-lems. The difficulties which and indeed to the rest of the

government contribution.

Much more important to the German economy than the government measures will be what happens to interest rates. In Germany it is generally reckoned that a one percentage point drop in interest rates has the same effect as £2,000m of extra young can give short-term help, there is no basis on which Germany can have bring its unemployment down without a general world recovery.

The economic measures Past experience suggests being adopted by the Chancellor are not really economic at all. They are an attempt to force his own party to back him in a confidence vote. Their very insignificance is part of their attraction. By showing that he can call and hopes to end the constant reluctant throats."
bickering which has become Nevertheless it such a feature of the coalition in recent months. Whether that vote alone will be enough to restore the coherence of the coalition in the months ahead is a question of direct concern to the rest of Europe have faced M Mitterand in world.

If the policy of our present Government represents a radical break from the past, as I believe in some respects it does, it lies not in its adoption of "monetarism" — a mere glance at monetary statistics should dissuade us from this belief — but rather in its unwillingness to

between various aspects of policy pursued by previous Labour and Conservative governments this particular feature of present policy should certainly not be disregarded.

Yours faithfully, G. MAYNARD, Vice President. Woolgate House, Coleman Street, EC2.

Proper names

Church House,

Dean's Yard, SW1.

The Chase Manhattan Bank, NA.

From the Reverend Kenneth Leech Sir. The late Father Neville, SSF, an Anglican Franciscan who worked in the East End of London, was widely known and much loved by people of many nationalities, including seamen in other countries, many of whom had never seen his name written. Letters addressed to him included Father Nivel, Navel, Nibble, Nobel and Nable, and one was addressed to (Mr Fadernebble, Cable Street, London". It arrived without any difficulty. Yours sincerely, KEN LEECH, General Synod, Board for Social Responsibility,

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

leadership

From Lord Tordoff

Sir, Your first leader today on "who is to lead the Alliance" concentrates naturally on who is to lead the SDP, a matter which Liberals should leave well alone. But insofar as it dwelt on the subsequent leadership of the Alliance, you severely understated the position of David Steel as having "many supporters as Alliance leader among the general public". The last poll on this topic (Gallup, December 11, 1981) gave him a huge lead over any of the SDP's leadership, a preference echoed even among SDP

supporters.

The percentage figures as to "who do you think would be the best leader of the Alliance?" were as follows:

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SDP

David Steel Shirley Williams Roy Jenkins David Owen William Rodgers

Before you consider who is to lead in government, you have to determine who would best lead the Alliance to victory and into government. For that reason Mr Steel's claim should not be written off so casually. The public recognises him as the consistent advocate of many of the policies now being adopted by the SDP and as perhaps the main architect of the Alliance itself. All that has to be set in the balance against the undoubtedly superior experience of Roy Jenkins. (Although it may be thought that that experience might be best used to the country's advantage at the Treasury.) Meanwhile this factor does not seem to influence voters unduly, since in the same poll Mr Steel was ahead of both Mrs Thatcher and Mr Foot as cur-rently the most preferred Prime Minister. Yours faithfully,

TORDOFF, House of Lords. February 2.

The Tawney tradition

From Professor Antony Flew

Sir, Several correspondents have either asserted or challenged the right to Tawney's name of a society which is supposed to be social democratic, as opposed to democratic or any other sort of socialist. Certainly there can be no doubt but that R. H. Tawney himself was a Clause IV socialist fully committed to the eventual "public ownership of all the

means of production, distri-bution, and exchange."

Thus in his Equality, first-published in 1931, several times reissued but never either disowned or even substantially revised, he argues that a majority Labour government must nationalize all of what Lenin in 1923 and Hugh Gaitskell in 1959 called follow in good time."

Of course, some of us who greatly admire R. H. Tawney might try to argue that, had he lived longer, practical experience of nationalization in Britain would have led him to change his mind. Certainly too his commit ment to democracy always came before his commitment to socialism. In that same chapter VI he continued: "If these laudable improvements leave the British public cold, an enlightened minshowing that he can call and ority have neither the right nor win a vote of confidence he the power to force them down

Nevertheless it was surely at least imprudent for people who want us to believe that the SDP is not socialist to call their substitute for the Fabian Society the Tawney Society. Yours faithfully.

ANTONY FLEW. University of Reading. Reading. February 2.

Housing policy

From the Director-General of the National House-Building Council Sir, Neil McIntosh of Shelter repeats (February 2) the fiction — for that is what it is — that tax concessions to home buyers have discouraged investment in productive industry. The facts are otherwise.

A. J. P. Taylor has correctly stated that a boom in house production in the 1930s from below 210,000 in 1931 to 365,000 in 1936 helped to lead the nation from the slump. In the post war period, the years of high new house production have been years of relative prosperity. By contrast in the last two years, when house prices were static and housing extent were at and housing starts were at exceptionally low levels, industry

generally was in recession. As for the decline in rented housing, the fact is that in an inflationary society, home owner-ship leaves the inflationary gain the individual: renting with leaves it with landlords, public or

It is relevant that £50m spent now on assisting council tenants of below average means to buy on the open market could "at a stroke" empty some council houses for the needy, stimulate new house production, and reduce the numbers on the dole. Moreover, the burden of mortgage payments on the erstwhile tenants would mean that they could not afford to buy imported goods. It is doubtful if there is any other public investment which would produce such a good return.

Yours sincerely, A. W. TAIT, 58 Portland Place, W1. February 2.

Claims to Alliance Submission on Civil Service pay

From Mr Bernard Gottlieb Sir, Today's first leader (Febru-

ary 3) makes an unprecedented attack on the probity of senior Treasury civil servants and by Ireasury civil servants and by implication on the laxiry of Government ministers. I hope that, as you suggest, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, or better still Mrs Thatcher as Treasury First Lord, will respond to your challenge quickly.

Senior civil servants have never

negotiated with unions about their own salaries. Whatever the merits of what

the Government conceded at the end of last year's strikes or the line of its evidence to the Megaw Committee, should one assassinate Treasury messengers simply because they bring news of Government decisions?

Yours faithfully, BERNARD GOTTLIEB, The Reform Club, Pall Mall, SW1. February 3.

From Mr Peter Hordern, MP for Horsham and Crawley (Conserva-

Sir, If you are right to surmise that the Treasury evidence to the Megaw committee on Civil Ser-vice pay shows that the 4 per cent limit on pay increases does not mean what it says, and that any extra sum negotiated by the Civil Service may come simply from the contingency reserve, then we are in a serious position. Serious because the practice of pay in the Civil Service being established through a sophisticated compara-bility exercise with the private sector makes it so.

Between 1970 and 1981 wages and salaries per unit of output in manufacturing industry quadrupled. This is a far worse record Yours faithf PETER HOI House of Co February 3.

than any of our industrial competitors, and has surely led to the very high number of those now out of work. The Clegg awards in public sector pay, and other comparability exercises, however, seem to have taken no account of the dreadful but inevitable consequences of too inevitable consequences of too much pay in our productive industry. They have simply

industry. They have simply forged ahead regardless.

In 1980-81 Civil Service pay rose by 23.5 per cent to £4,627m. In the NHS pay rose by 31.3 per cent to £5,286m, in 1980-81, having risen by 21.7 per cent the previous year, although these increases probably reflect the extra 67,000 people recruited since June 1979. Public corporations, apart, that is, from the nationalised industries, increased their pay in 1980 by 16.6 per cent their pay in 1980 by 16.6 per cent

to £2,007m, universities by 21.4 per cent in 1979-80, followed, if Sussex University is a guide, by 23 per cent in 1980-81; and polytechnics by 26.1 per cent in 1980-81. In engineering, in construc-tion, in production of motor vehicles and steel, our output is

ventiles and steel, our output is significantly less than it was ten years ago. What kind of system can it be that allows pay in the public sector to be compared to the ruinuous increases paid in the productive sector, which has put so many out of work in industry, while the numbers are still growing in central govern-ment as a whole? Surely the only comparability exercise for the Government service that is valid is the comparison with what the country can produce and can afford. And that cannot be more than 4 per cent.

Yours faithfully, PETER HORDERN, House of Commons,

Arsenii Roginskii

From Professor Geoffrey Best and others

one; We are very disturbed by reports reaching the West about the recent trial in Leningrad of our professional colleague, the historian Arsenii Roginskii. Roginskii was one of the outstanding students of the internationally known linguist and literary historian, Yurii

Lotman. Since his graduation in 1968, he has published a number of distinguished articles on nineteenth and early twentieth century social thought in Russia, some of them in the West. some of them in the West. In June 1981 his reader's ticket to the Leningrad Public Library

was revoked on the gounds that he had "used material from the manuscript departments for illegal publication abroad". He was subsequently arrested, and in early December sentenced to four years' imprisonment by the Leningrad City Court under Article 196 of the RSFSR Criminal Code, which deals with the forgery of "official documents which confer rights or exempt from obligations". The docu-ments in question appear to have been letters from official insti-tutions requesting access for him

to certain archives.
As professional historians, we are seriously concerned that Roginskii should be charged with an offence which appears to

trying, under very adverse conditions, to continue carrying out his professional duties. Neither foreign publication nor the foreign publication nor the attempt to gain access to archive sources can be regarded as criminal offences. The right which Roginskii wished to exercise was one he already had under Article 46 of the Soviet Constitution, which guarantees citizens "use of artefacts of culture", to be ensured by their being made "generally available being made "generally available in official and public collect-ions". If indeed he misused official documents in the process, then this is at most a misdemeanour committed under stress and warranting no harsher penalty than a period of exclusion from

signify no more than that he was

the archives concerned.

We would urge the Soviet judicial authorities to reconsider the case of Arsenii Roginskii, and to dismiss the charges against him on appeal.

Yours etc., GEOFFREY BEST. MAURICE CRANSTON, DAVID MARQUAND, BRÍAN PULLAN, E. P. THOMPSON, R. H. C. DAVIS, G. R. ELTON, RODERICK FLOUD, DOROTHY THOMPSON,

J. A. S. GRENVILLE, D. CAMERON, MORMAN HAMPSON, STUART WOOLF, LANCES JOLL, JOHN VINCENT, Department of History, University of Essex, Wivenhoe Park, Colchester. February 2.

Canada's constitution.

From Chief Roger Jimmie and others.

Sir, we, the undersigned Chiefs, write to express our concerns at the contents of your leading article "All clear for patriation"

(January 30).

The article drew attention to the fact that the claim made by the Indian Association of Alberta has been rejected by the Court of Appeal. It implied that, subject to further appeal, the effect of the judgment is to leave no Indian claims pending in the English courts.

That, however, is not in accordance with the facts. The claim made by the Indian nations of British Columbia, Manitoba and Ontario (their writ was issued on December 10, 1981) has yet to be considered by the

courts in this country.

The plaintiffs are seeking to expedite the hearing of their case, which is based on very

different grounds from the Alberta claim. It argues that any legislation to patriate the Cana-dian Constitution requires the consent of provincial legislatures and of the Indian nations. Under these circumstances it is not unreasonable to expect that

the British Government, which indicated its willingness not to press ahead with the Canada Bill until the Alberta appeal could be heard will adopt a similar approach to the present liti-

Calumbia Indian Chiefe), EDWIN IL BRUYEVE (For: Alex DENNIS (Dakota Tip Reserve, Manitoba) DAVID HUNT (Kwakiuti Band, Kwakiuti Nation, British Columb Office of First Nations,

2 The Mansions, Bramham Gardens, SW5. February 1.

Consular service

Sir, Lady Marley (January 29) complains of an extra fee for consular services "out of hours' As an American journalist I recently had occasion to observe the problems faced by the British Consulate in Rome during regular hours. Each week during the tourist season bundreds of people expect help because of stolen handbags, documents. money, travel tickets, etc. One couple arrived at the

consulate in bathing costume — all they had left when their car with all their possessions inside was stolen. Another man arrived in his wife's stretch slacks — all he had available when luggage was stolen from his hotel room during the night. The consular staff arranged to buy trousers for him and the consul herself took them home on her lunch hour to sew up the cuffs. These problems are in addition to the normal duties of registering births, arranging visas, dealing with death certificates, etc.

Rarely have I seen such efficiency and courtesy with a sympathetic staff doing all they could. Presumably some con-sulates are better than others but from my observation I think all British subjects should be grateful to have these hard-working people there to help in time of

If Lady Marley objected to paying an additional £17 for services demanded when the

Yours sincerely, Chief ROGER HIMME (Union of British

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consulate was closed, she could easily have waited and gone there on Monday morning. As she From Mr Eduard Fuller found the casual bystanders and the French police such revel-ations of kindness, surely she could have borrowed the Metro

Yours faithfully, EDUARD FULLER, Springfield Farm, Buckhorn-Weston. Near Gillingham,

Home brewed

Pebruary 1.

From Miss Emma Wigglesworth Sir, In your Business News of January 30 Mr Shindler, Secretary of the National Association of Licensed House Managers, is reported as saying that home brewing is unfair com-

This extraordinary statement could well be applied to home cooking, home dressmaking, home decorating, home movies or even, perhaps, playing the piano at home.

Rather than suggesting a tax on those who are doing their best to cope with inflation the associ- year. ation should do the same as other industries and find new ways of attracting custom. Yours faithfully, EMMA WIGGLESWORTH.

53 Canonbury Park South, N1.

January 30.

Devolution option for Ulster

From Mr William McDowell

Sir, David Watt's thinking on Ulster (feature, January 29) seems somewhat incoherent. He correctly perceives that the likelihood of a Government initiative on Ulster managing to establish a devolved Assembly is extremely remote. It is also made clear in his article that neither the DUP nor the SDLP can at present be expected to help make such a legislature work and furthermore the "moderate" parties are too weak to be of any effective assistance to such a scheme. But somewhat strangely the aforementioned noists don't scheme. But somewhat strangely the aforementioned points don't lead Mr Watt to conclude that devolution for Ulster, at least for the time being, is too dangerous to be attempted.

There is, on this, one point he fails to mention (the significance of which seems to be missed by many both in and outside of the

many, both in and outside of the province) that with unemployment in Northern Ireland at nearly a fifth of the total workforce the atmosphere generally is too pessimistic to allow for such visionary institutional goals to be achieved.

Mr Watt also suggests that direct rule has failed Ulster in the long run, when in actual fact the long roll, when in actual fact it is just beginning to succeed. The IRA played their ultimate cards last year — the hunger strike and the murder of the Unionist South Belfast MP, the Rev Robert Bradford. The worst is over. The British Government needs to stand resolute and

patient.
David Watt concludes by writing, "we have now reached a point where the riskiest policy of all is to sit tight and do nothing"; but this is not what the integrationists are asking for. It would be best for the Conservatives to do what they originally proposed in their manifesto: "In the absence of devolved government, we will seek to establish one or more elected regional councils".

Mr Prior should establish a regional council, and if that move proves after a few years to bave been successful, well, who knows what the future holds? The important point always to remember is that Ireland's problems can't be solved quickly; if there is a solution it will take years to come about. Ulster is not another Rhodesia.

Yours etc. W. McDOWELL Bloomfield, January 29.

Stalemate in Cyprus

From Mr O. F. Muftizade Sir, In the last paragraph of your analysis of furkey's European credentials (leader, January 29) vou suggest tha Government should "be seen to make a serious and urgent effort to reach a solution to the Cyprus conflict" which would enable it to withdraw its troops from North Cyprus.

Notwithstanding the fact that the present Turkish Government has been making both behind the scenes and visual efforts to contibute to the success of the current peace exercise in Cyprus

— rendering support to Dr
Waldbeim's evaluation, to mention but one — you seem to have missed a vital point over this issue: Greece, too, must make meaningful and visual efforts if honourable between the two partner com-munities in Cyprus is to be achieved, in which case, as your leader points out, a withdrawal can be possible, since the all-important "security" issue will no longer prevent it.

However, in the same issue of The Times, your own correspondent quotes Greece's socialist Prime Minister, Mr Papandreou, as declaring that "Cyprus is part of the Hellenic nation". I believe that even the most ultra-national-ist Greek politician would have thought twice before making such an outburst about binational Cyprus at this delicate

stage. I feel I am justified in expecting The Times to be more sensitive and factual in apportioning the blame for the current stalemate in Cyprus. Yours faithfully, O. F. MUFTIZADE, London Representative of the Turkish Federated State of Cyprus, 28 Cockspur Street, SW1.

Radio print .

January 29.

Bevere.

Worcester.

From Miss Margaret Smith Sir, I wonder if there is any scientific basis for the curious assumption made by publishers of newspapers that those people who listen to radio programmes have better eyesight than those who watch television. Yours faithfully, MARGARET SMITH, 2 Willowslea Road,

A town like Townsville

From Mr Noel F. Webster Sir, "City of Townsville", the name of an Australian airliner observed at Heathrow by your correspondent G. H. Neild (February 3) is not, as he suggests, an example of tautological Oz-speak.

The Queensland port of Townstille

sville was named after its founder, English-born merchant Robert Towns, in 1865, and was designated a city the following

Aussies 1, Poms 0. Yours faithfully, NOEL F. WEBSTER. 5 Cecil Close, Mount Avenue, Ealing, W5. February, 3.

The wage-inflation bind From Professor Geoffrey Sir, On the face of it, Professor Maynard

Meade's proposals (Business feature, January 20) for the conduct of macro-economic policy represents a significant change from the past, at any rate the past up to 1979. Instead of fiscal and monetary policy being used to manage the level of real demand in the economy whilst the control of inflation is left to incomes of inflation is left to incomes

policy, Professor Meade now proposes that fiscal and monetary policy should control nominal mand whilst intervention in the Sir, I was appalled by the labour market is aimed at sanctimonious letter (February 3) regulating employment. However, whether the new proposals would make much difference in practice Chancellor, Editor of the Spectator, revealed that he had rejected an advertisement from Mr David Irving because of its depends on how the Government, would behave if more rational money wage-fixing arrangements cannot be introduced or, if introduced, break down, so that Irving. It is a matter for personal judgment whether his views are the country is faced, as so often in the past, with a money wage extremist. But, provided he remains within the bounds of the explosion. On this issue, if his own words are to be our guide, professor Meade seems in danger of undermining his own pro-

In reply to some criticisms of his proposals by Professor Kaldor (letter to Financial Times, December 30, 1981), Professor Meade in effect tells us that if a target of, say, 10 per cent per annum growth in nominal GDP has been set, and money wages then rose by say 30 per cent, he would not advocate restraining would not advocate restraining the rise in GDP to 10 per cent since this would result in falling

employment. If this were generally under-stood to be Government policy, then not only would the response undermine the aim of maintaining a stable growth of nominal money expenditure, but it would gravely prejudice the task of enforcing or maintaining the more sensible money wage-fixing arrangements which are at the heart of Professor Meade's proposals. It has surely been the willingness of most governments in postwar Britain to accommodate inflationary money wage and

dation did not prevent the rise in unemployment.

accommodate; and for this it should be applauded.

As the SDP picks and chooses

Move on church repair charges

The Church of England's inherited that liability in right to charge certain land-their title deeds.

That ancient custom, en cal reasons it is quite forceable in law, gives parpossible for an owner of ochial church councils the land, even a mere house-right in some cases to send holder, to have a legal the bill for structural repairs liability of which he knows to owners of land who have nothing.

The Duke of Kent with members of the Ancosts youth centre yesterday

Duke sees how police help the young

£38,900), but the other poten-

were negotiating a private sale.

Memorial services

Works by Breughel and

Goya fail to find buyers

By Geraldine Norman, Sale Room Correspondent

By Clifford Longley, Religious Affairs Correspondent

inherited that liability in The original responsibility ject to proposals which their title deeds.

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COURT AND **SOCIAL**

COURT CIRCULAR

YORK HOUSE ST JAMES'S PALACE

February 4: The Duke of Kent, Vice-Chairman of the British Overseas Trade Board, took the chair at the Export Conference which was held at the Midland Hotel, Manchester and in the afternoon visited the Ancoats Youth Centre.

His Royal Highness, who travelled in an aircraft of the Queen's Flight, was attended by Licutenant Commander Richard Buckley, RN. February 4: The Duke of Kent,

Forthcoming

marriages

The engagement is announced between Geoffrey, son of Commander and Mrs R. H. Mercer, of South Milton, South Devon, and Jill, daughter of Mr and Mrs O. P. J. Rochfort, of Broad Marston, Stratford-on-Avon, Warwickshire.

The engagement is announced between Perezrine Anthony Litton, second son of Brigadier and Mrs E. C. L. Simson, of Chilbotton, Hampshire, and Hilary Eila, younger daughter of Sir Paul Mallinson, Bz, FRCP, of Bembridge, Isle of Wight and Eila Lady Mallinson, of The Gateways, London, SW3.

The engagement is announced between John, younger son of Mr and Mrs R. J. Carrington, of London, N14, and Judy, younger daughter of Dr and Mrs M. Caplin, of London, NW11.

Mr R. O. B. Cooper and Miss M. J. Holland

The engagement is announced between Oliver, eldest son of Mr and Mrs R. B. Cooper, of Bricett Hall, Great Bricett, Ipswicb, Suffolk, and Miranda Jane, only daughter of Mr and Mrs C. B. B. Holland The Windmill Inn, Pitch Hill, Ewkurst, Nr Cranleigh, Surrrey.

Mr. A. H. Hope and Miss R. J. Johnstone

The engagement is announced between Andrew, son of Lieuten-ant-Colonel and Mrs Hugh Hope, of Fosters, Martingley, Basing-stoke, Hampshire, and Rosanna, daughter of Major Ian Johnstone. of Britton Deverill, Warminster, Wiltshire, and of Mrs Susan Day.

Dr K. R. Mayne and Miss D. M. Staunton

The engagement is announced between Keith, son of Mr and Mrs K. J. Mayne. of Wimbledon, London, and Donna, daughter of Mr and Mrs J. F. Staunton, of Christchurch, New Zealand.

Luncheon

Reception

Lord Mayor of Westminster The Lord Lieutenant of Greater London, Baroness Phillips, was London, Baroness Phillips, was present at a reception given at City Hali last night by the Lord Mayor of Westminster for the Westminster winners of the Queen's Awards for Export and Technology in 1980 and 1981. The other guests included: The Hon Peter Brooke, MP, Mr John Wheeler, MP, Mr Derek Allen, Mr Geoffrey Edwards and Mr Keith Grant.

Service dinner

HMS Royal Arthur mr John Garnett, director of the Industrial Society, was the guest of honour at a guest night dinner held in HMS Royal Arthur, the Royal Navy's Petty Officers' Leadership School, at Corsham, Wiltshire last night Commander

The Alexandra Rose Ball will be held on Thursday, May 20, at Grosvenor House, Park Lane, W1, from 8.30 pm to 2.00 am. Tickets are available at £25.00 each, including dinner and a lucky numbered ball programme, from Mrs B Weston, I Castlenau, Barnes, SW13 9RP. The chairman of the communities is Lady Bellinger and the junior committee is jointly organized by Miss Sarah Frampton and Miss Clare Bardsley.

Aires. (Supertax 419500, 8. Andre Previn and Friends, 45.99, also in paperback.)

4. James Galway and his Platinum Flute: Saturday being congratulated by his

knees-up record to end all knees-up records, with the lads of Murphy's Bar and the Massed Bands of the SAS. (Harp 409510, £5.99, also in bottle and can.)
Sing Along with Placido
Domingo! The darling of
the late-night chic opera
party crowd in concert with the Royal Covent Garden Classical Records: The Opera House audience, Monster-Selling List taking nineteen encores,

cheeky devil. (Valium 001945, E5.99, also in flip-top dispenser.) top dispenser.)
I ames Galway and his Diamond Flute: The James Joyce Centenary Album, with Joyce's verses read by

cassette.)
2. James Galway and His Golden Flute: Themes for 3. Placido Domingo: "It's

Easy to Tango!" king of Latin music, together with life-size foot charts, free bow-tie and souvenir booklet of Buenos The Prince of Wales will be admitted to the Freedom and Livery of the Pewterers' Company at Pewterers' Hall, EC2, on March 10. Princess Anne, Chancellor of

London University, will attend a presentation ceremony at the Albert Hall, followed by a presentation service at Westminster Cathedral, on March 10.

The Duke of Kent, patron of the Leukaemia Research Fund, will attend a charity greyhound race meeting at White City Stadium on March 30.

The Duchess of Kent, patron of the Yorkshire County Cricket Club, will attend a members' dinner at the Queen's Hotel, Leeds, on March 31.

The Queen will attend the Commonwealth Day Observance Service at Westminster Abbey on March 8.

Princess Alexandra will take The Lord High Admiral's Divisions at the Britannia Royal Naval College, Dartmouth, on April 7.

Mr G. M. Mercer and Miss J. M. Rochfort

Warwickshire.

Mr J. Parkin
and Miss A. L. C. Adams
The engagement is announced
between Jonathan, son of Mr and
Mrs P. D. Parkin, of Birkenshaw,
Bradford, Yorkshire, and Lesley,
daughter of Mr A. D. D. Adams,
of Surbiton, Surrey, and Mrs E.
R. Adams, of Maidenhead,
Berkshire,

The engagement is announced between David Julian, second son of Mr and Mrs Maron Selig, of Melbourne, Australia, and Alton Jane, daughter of Mr and Mrs Hugh Brady, of 16 Selwood Terrace, London, SW7.

Mr C E Spencer and Miss N K Katrak

The engagement is amounced between Charles, son of Mr and Mrs G E Spencer, of Surbiton, Surrey, and Nicola, elder daughter of the late Mr H S Katrak and Mrs M Katrak, of Beech, Hampshire.

Marriages

Dr D. Ebrahim Dr D. Boranna and Mrs I. Brinley-Richards The marriage took place quietly on January 23 at Hillmorton Parish Church, near Rugby, between Dr Donald Ebrahim and Mrs Ivy Brinley-Richards.

Group Captain G. H. Pirie and Mrs J. Hugill
The marriage took place yesterday in St Faith's Chapel, Westminster Abbey, between Group Captain Cordon Pirle and Mrs John Hugill. The Dean of Westminster officiated, assisted by the Rev Alan Loff. A reception was held in the Jerusalem Chamber.

Association of British Herb
Growers and Producers

The Association of British Herb
Growers and Producers held a
luncheon at the House of
Commons yesterday, by courtesy
of Mr John J. Wells MP, in
homour of Lord Ferrers, Minister
of State for Agriculture, Fisheries and Food.

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Royal Navy Club of 1765 and 1785
A dinner was held at the Army
and Navy Club last night to
celebrate founders' day and to
entertain members of the Admirality Board. Admiral Sir David
Williams presided and the other
speakers were Mr Peter Blaker,
MP and Admiral Sir Desmond
Cassidi.

Manorial Society of Great Britain Mr Robert Smith, Chairman of the Manorial Society of Great Britain, welcomed members and guests at a dinner held at the Carlton Club, London last night. Lord Montagu of Beaulieu was the guest speaker. Among those

Cord Sodoley, Mr C H Bird. Miss C Cartwright, Mr H A S Cartwright, Mr H A S Cartwright, Mr and Mrs T R Carth Mrs A 1 Cher, Mr N F Arrows B Romey, Dr G D Teall and Mr M Wynne-Parket.

Association of Lancastrians in

The Association of Lancastrians in London held a City dinner last night at the Porter Tun Room. Mr Peter Armitage was in the chair and Mr John Minshull-Fogg and Mr W. M. Fernie also spoke. Among those tresent were: Among those present were:

Sir John and Lady Timey, 5th Desmond and Lady Heap. Colonel Sir Eric and Lady St Johnston. Sir Robert and Lady Singer Life of the State of the Buller Judge Proof, O.C. and Mrs Physical Mrs Mirshull-Fogg.

Alexandra Rose Ball | Army undergraduate

awards AWARUS

The Army Undergraduate
Awards Board has awarded
bursaries to the following from
the Lent Term 1982:
1/ Brade St Catherine's Cott. Oxford.
M. L. D. Broderman. City of London
Poly, G. T. Builer, Si John's Cott.
Cambridge, N. D. Embleion, Last Angha
Univ. A. G. Gee. Sheffleid City Poly; C.
L. M. Gunness Lacter Univ. J. II. R.
King, Edinburgh Univ. M. Middlemiss
Christ s. Lott. Cambridge, T. J.
Warton, Lincoln Cott.
Willatt. St. Catherine's Cott. Cambridge, D.A. Wombwell, Aston Univ.

E3,000). Other examples were the £3,300 (estimate £700 to £1,000) for a fine impression

University news Birmingham Professor Edward Marsland has been appointed Vice-Chancellor and Principal of the university for five years In March last year Professor Marsland was appointed Vice-Chancellor for one year from October 1, 1981, pending the naming of a permanent successor to Lord Hunter. At its meeting on January 20, the university council approved a recommendation that be appointed until 1986. In March last year Professor

out for intense competition. Four rare drypoints of tro-

phies by an anonymous sixteenth century printmaker known as the "Master of the Year 1515", printed on a single sheet of paper, sold for £6,380 (estimate £1,500 to £3,000).

The council ruled that future appointments to the office of upon and principal should be for a fixed term.

Moreover... Miles Kington

Night in Old Belfast! The

Our recent list of worst-selling books for the rare book trade was so successful that we are making another innovation today. This is a new service for those who like classical records, but find the stuff on the best-selling classical list rather heavy going. For them, and for all those who have decided that concert music is not nearly 5. as bad at they once thought, we present:

Julio Izlesias. "O Mein Papa", "My Heart Belongs to Daddy" and 18 other massive hits, with the Hollywood Bowl Orchestra. (OTT 459100, £5.99, also

Pam Ayres. (Harp 954100, E5.99, with many photos of the Great Silent Movies. (Mogadon PVC 495100, also on cassette, £5.99.) Step-bystep instructions by the

Frank Delaney.)
The John Williams No-Gimmick LP, Just One Guitar and No Messing About. Honest. Well, with Guest Stars Cleo Laine, John Dankworth and Andre Previn. But otherwise ao gimmicks. Backing by The Who. (Glitter 001954, £5.99, also autographed, £50.)

being congratulated by his friends on success of Vols 1-7. (Ferguson 901450, 1-7. (Ferguson 901450, £5.99, also on video.)

The All-Electric HMS Pinafore. New York cast recording of new Gilbert and Sulfine and Sulfi and Sullivan smash hit, featuring Placid Domingo and Sting, and introducing the tap-dancing of Rudolf Nureyev. (Lloyd Webber 900145, £5.99, also in

10. James Galway and his Nuclear-Powered Flute: Tunes from the Great Commercial Jingles (Hovis 910054, £5.99, also in giant, economy and budget pack.)

1. Placido Domingo sings
Lullabies. Yes, go to sleep
with the Barry Manilow
opera! (Barbiturate 590104, £5.99, in vanilia, orange or cinnamon.)

2. The James Calway-Placido Domingo a 2020 Party Album! Dance the rany Atomic Dance and Jim, also Stephane and Yehudi, John and Cleo, Julian and John, Andre and friends! (Parky 900154, with free sick-bag.)

A meeting in memory of Professor T. H. Marshall was held at the Loadon School of Economics and Political Science Economics and Political Science yesterday. Professor Ralf Dahrendorf, Director, introduced the meeting and Professor R. A. Pinker read from Eliot's Little Gulding. Tributes were paid by Dr H. Hillman, Mrs Jean Flond.

The only Victoria Cross won on D-Day will be suctioned by Sotheby's next month. It belonged to Company Sergeant Major Stanley Holis, of the Green Howards who died in 1972 and it is being offered for sale anonymously.

The auction will be the first public sale of a second World War VC, and the medal could fetch £22,000

The Duke of Kent saw another side of the much criticized become so badly vandalized by Greater Manchester police yesterday when he visited the Ancoats youth centre, which is community relations programme. He met some of the 1,200 members, most of whom live in the poorer areas on the north side of the city and who are provided with facilities for sports rangling from boxing to sub-aqua diving.

From John Chartres, Manchester services voluntarily as instructors tors.

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> Latest appointments Lates: appointments include: Lord Trend to be president of the Royal Commonwealth Society in succession to Mr Malcolm MacDonald, who died last year.

Old Master prints were fetching rather unpredictable prices at Sotheby's yester-day. The potentially most expensive lots failed to sell. The only complete etching by Pieter Breughel the Elder, "Landscape with the Rabbit Hunters", was bought in at £120,000 (estimate £20,000 to £25,000), and a good, but not outstanding set of Goya's "Los Caprichos" was bought in at £18,000 (estimate £11,000 to £14,000), and a good but not outstanding set of Goya's "Los Caprichos" was bought in at £18,000 (estimate £11,000 to £14,000), and a £18,000 (estimate £11,000 to £14,000).

In contrast, some rather off-beat rarities were picked out for intense competition.

Four rare devocates of the Sunday Mirror, to be editor of the S

for a setr of "The Small Passion by Dürer.

At Christie's sale of carpets and textiles condition was the factor of overriding importance to bidders. A fine antique silk Tabriz carpet was sold for £37,800 (unpublished estimate £32,000 to £32,000) but the other potent. Mr Norman Hardyman Under-Secretary at the Department of Health and Social Security and a former Under-Secretary at the Department of Education and Science, is to be Secretary of the University Grants Committee from March 15. tial moneyspinner, an antique silk Kashan carpetwas bought in at £36,000. That was main contributor to the 50 per cent unsold total. Christie's said later that they

Lord Pargiter
The Speaker was represented by
Mr Ernest Armstrong, MP, at a
memorial service for Lord
Pargiter held at St Margarer's,
Westminster, yesterday. Canon nann's Fantasia. Pargiter held at St Margarer's, Westminster, yesterday. Canon Trovor Beeson officiated. Sir James Swaffield, DirectorGeneral and Clerk to the Greater London Council, and Dr the Hon Russell Pargiter (soon) read the lessons. Mr Carleton Hetherington gave an address. Others present

Mr C. Gibbs-Smith Mr C. Gibbs-Smith
A memorial service for Mr
Charles Gibbs-Smith was held
yesterday at St Augustine's,
Queen's Gate. The Rev Kenneth
Hewait officiated. Dame Margaret
Weston, Director of the ScienceMuseum, read the lesson and Sir
Roy Strong, Director of the
Victoria and Albert Museum,
gave an address. Among others
present were:

D-Day Victoria Cross for sale

Latest wills Latest estates reclude (net, before tex paid): before tex paid): Branson, Colonel Sir Donglas Stephenson, of Sheffield, solici-1777,860 ge, Derby-....£221,048 Williams, Mr Graham Wyatt, of don, solicitor £317,946 might draw attention to a right which has in many cases been allowed to lapse, usually through ignorance, and that public debate might stimulate local church coun-

The standing committee is known to fear that undue

owners for the cost of repairs to the local parish church should be phased out over the next 20 years, according to an official recommendation which will be debated by the General Synod later this month.

The standing committee of the Synod wants the church to respond positively to a Law Commission proposal favouring the eventual abolition of what is called "Chancel repair liability".

That ancient custom, en-cal reasons it is quite of an asset which belongs to cils to make claims

If A £500,000 appeal fund
has been launched to save a
Norman round church in The synod will be advised to seek the abolition of this right only gradually, as to end it suddenly might seem to be a form of confiscation of an asset which belongs to local churches. Parliament, which would be required to pass an Act in the light of recommendations from the Law Commission, might ob-Northampton (a correspondent writes). It is one of only four surviving Norman round churches in Britain and church authorities say that unless the money is raised in will be in ruins within 25

£1m boost for films in region

Film Institute yesterday amounced its biggest everfunding to the regions.

For the first time in its historyits cash grant to regional
organizations rops film; in
particular, the grunts op regional
arts associations are up by nearly
21 per cent to f613,000, enabling
them to maintain their them to maintain their programmes of work in film production, antibition and

education.

The institute's grant from the Government for 1982-83 is up by about £600,000 to more than £7m. The regional increases have been met partly by cutting back on the institute's own in house activities.

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The particular beneficiaries will be the Bristol Watershed, the Bradford Film Theatre and the Derby Metro, with increases of 150, 95, and 40 per cent respectively.

The institute has also recognized the importance of the Edinbugh International Film Festival with an increase in grant of 35 per cent. The only other area outside the regions to get an increase is the preservation work of the National Film Archive. The Government has made a special capital grant of £100,000 towards the cost of supplementing the archive's now heavily overflowing acetate film storage vanits.

But in spite of a further £100,000 to transfer deteriorating nitrate film to safety stock, the total preserving budget of £675,000 is calculated to be less than half that needed to save the national film heritage.

Birthdays today



Mr Frank Muir, the writer and broadcaster, who is 62.

Health and Social Security and a former Under-Secretary at the Department of Education and Science, is to be Secretary of the University Grants Committee from March 15.

Colonel Sir John Gilmour, to be Lord High Commissioner to the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland.

Professor J. E. Mesde and Professor D. G. MacRae, Mrs Michal Hambourg (sister-in-law) played the last movement of Schumann's Fantasia. Among

25 years ago From The Times of Monday February 4 1957

February 4 1857
Nicosia, Feb 3.—A government statement today says that reliable information has been received from many sources that during this week the terrorists plan to devote all their remaining resources to creating as much termost and disorder in Cyprus as possible.

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Professor F.T.C. Carter, and techniques he was a Professor of modern languages in the Department of European Studies, Loughborough University of Technology, died of a heart attack on January 30. He was 45.

Frank Carter was a Midon January 30. He was 45.

Frank Carter was a Midlander, educated at King Edward School, Edgbaston; Birmingham University and University College, Bangor, ist dictionaries, translations, and the use of European Loughborough as a lecturer television for advanced language studies.

Frank Carter was a midland worked on special ist dictionaries, translations, and the use of European television for advanced language studies.

Frank Carter was a man of pleasant disposition, outgoing and with a wide circle of friends. He held the respect at Manor Park Grammar and confidence of all he worked with, staff and studies.

School, Nuneaton from 1958 worked with, staff and stu-63, and at Highbury Technidents alike. cal College, Portsmouth from He leaves a widow and two

1963-67. children, to whom the univer-Deeply concerned with sity extends its deepest advanced language teaching sympathy.

MR SIGMUND POLLITZER

OBITUARY

Modern methods of teaching

foreign languages

PROFESSOR F. T. C. CARTER

A correspondent writes:
Sigmund Pollitzer, who died on January 29 at the age of 68, was a remarkable dartist and a remarkable character. He first made a name for himself in the 1930s as a designer of art-deco glass panels, and was one of the artists who contributed to the decor of the Queen Mary. After an unhappy period in the army at the beginning of the army at the beginning of while in a country cottage at represented in the 1930pn, while in a country cottage at represented in the 1930pn, where he produced a dazzling least two of his works were series of pen and ink draw shown in the recent Thirties ings—landscapes portraits and many characteristically vivid studies of sunflowers Redfern galleries in the 1950s. His later work was exhibited mainly in Rome and America.

SIR DOUGLAS GLOVER J. D. R. T. T. writes:

As a former colleague may I add a comment on your obituary of Sir Douglas obituary of Sir Douglas of having been a delegate to the 17th Assembly with a great gift of friendship, he had a splendid sense of humour. He loved to talk and showed great courage when he knew he had cancer.

He talked much about the Army and politics. He had served his country well in both. He had been mentioned

he knew he had cancer.

He talked much about the Army and politics. He had served his country well in both. He had been mentioned in despatches and had loved his years in the TA. At the end of the war he had put on a great parade in Holland for the then Queen Juliana in aid of the Dutch Red Cross and was made a Knight Officer of the Order of Orange-Nassau.

In politics at home he was the last active member of the House of Commons, to be He remained a staunch believer in Conservative Party Conference, rare even



Mr Donald Bowie, Director in its child care practice of the Church of England Under his directorship the Children's Society died on society developed community January 31 after a short and neighbourhood projects illness. He was 60. He joined aimed at preventing children January 31 after a short and adagnourhood projects illness. He was 60. He joined amed at preventing children the society in 1964 as Deputy being taken into care, as well birector, and succeeded as continuing to provide specialist care in residential homes and through adoption and fostering. He was instrument with wide experience in both the Colonial Service and in working party on religious commerce. He joined the colonial Service in 1947 after serving in the King's African Rifles during the war and example of his concern with and interest in the spiritual retary in Dar es Salaam. On returning to Britain he worked in the City.

Bewie led and guided the society through a period of the leaves a widow and marked change of emphasis three daughters.

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MR DONALD BOWIE

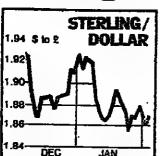
His Hon Gerard Gustave became a County Court Lind-Smith, who died on Judge in 1959 on the BirPebruary 3 at the age of 79, mingham Circuit where he was a Circuit Judge from remained until 1966. From 1959 to 1975, he was on Educated at Wellington Circuit 23 (Coventry, NorCollege and University College, Oxford, Lind-Smith was called to the Bar by the Inner Quarter Sessions in 1957 and Temple in 1928. He served was chairman from 1961 to 1945 as a temporary major with the He married, in 1928.

from 1940 to 1945 as a 1968, temporary major with the He married in 1928, Royal Army service Corps. Alexandra Eva, a daughter of From 1958 to 1959 be was Lieur Col. J. C. Kirk, CBE. Recorder of Birkenhead and they had three daughters.

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BUSINESS NEWS

Sterling one cent up



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T. C. CARIN

POLLITZER



The pound rose against the dollar on the money markets but fell against some other major currencies. The effective rate slipped slightly, closing at 91.7, down 0.1. It was 100 points up against the American currency, at \$1.8700. The pound has been strengthening for some days on the effective rate, climbing one percentage point during the last eight trading days.

Nissan UK talks

Senior executives of Nissan, the Japanese car maker, are expected in London next week for talks in Whitehall on the company's proposed United Kingdom car manufacturing plant. The delegation will be led by Mr Masataka Okuma, vice-president. Nissan is believed to have selected a site for the factory last year, probably in the north-east. The talks are expected to lead to a formal announcement of the chosen site.

MARKET SUMMARY

Lucas leads a retreat

PSBR on course

The public sector borrowing requirement in the nine months to December totalled 19,710m. But after allowing an estimated £3,000m for the impact of the civil servants dispute, the underlying figure is about £6,750m, apparently on course for the Government's estimate of £10,600m for the full financial year. in the three months to December, the PSBR was only £212m, helped by the recovery of about £1,500m of delayed tax.

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An 11-man team of international to have in London yesterday on an investigation into the impact of trade protectionism. The group, chaired by Sir Alec Cairneross, will report to a Gatt ministers' meeting next November.

The board of Thomas W. Ward has now accepted Riotinto Zinc's increased offer, which went unconditional on January 25.

Grand Metropolitan has sold to Vaux Breweries of

expensive country for a Briton, according to a survey by Employment Conditions

Hotel in west London for 17.7m.

The Government and indus-Abroad. Inflation there means try is to launch a joint a British style of meal would campaign to promote the cost more than ten times as much as in Britain.

LONDON EXCHANGE

Jobs at Lucas Industries' aeros-

pace division produced a sharp burst of reverse thrust to the

After a cautious start, equities,

ve all week, as stock

retreated amid nervous selling, something the lobbers had tried

shortages became more acute. The FT Index closed 3.2 down at

574.8 after being 2.3 down at

221p and were the cause of hefty losses on all other aerospace leaders. Smiths industries fell

12p to 356p, Hawker Sideley 10p to 340p, and British

Aerospace 9p to 195p.
Gits also showed signs of running out of steam, but, after

initial falls recovered to close £1/4

up in longs and £ 1/2 up in shorts

resisted the trend rose 1p to 138p on renewed Far Eastern

support. Several market sources

said the long-awaited bid could

be weeks away instead of

Elsewhere in shipping, London & Overseas Freighters added a

urther 1 1/2p to 62p in expectation

owns 17.23 per cent of the

equity.

Royal Dutch/Shell fell 62%p
to £17.03%p as a line of 200,000
shares, worth £3.5m, went
through the market at £17.50p.

This is turn depressed. Shell

This in turn depressed Shell, which slipped 6p to 372p.

COMMODITIES

tonne. More distant contracts

of a bid from Leane Inves the Panamantan group acting on behalf of Mr Faisol Hashim, who

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Among blue chips P & O d'fd

Lucas shares tumbled 9p to

market's ambitions vesterday.

FT Index 574.8 down 3.2 FT Gilts 64.95 up 0.16 FT All Shere 328.72 down

Bargains 19,335

Gatt inquiry

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© Grand Metropolitan has sold to Vaux Breweries of Sunderland, the International Hotel in West London for

Shares of Platignum, the pen

manufacturer, were suspended 1p up at 8p after news of a possible bid approach. The company said it was studying proposals submifted by a third party. Last year it made losses of almost £500,000 and at last night's level was valued at just under £1.5m.

The buyers were out in force for S & W Bestsford amid talk of a favourable broker's seminar. But a spokesman for Beristord's

brokers, W Greenwell, said the

institutions were buying ahead of

go ex-div on February 15, rose 50

542p as Hambros Bank sold its stake of 1.2m shares to Hambros

Shareholders in the brewery industry were offered little encouragement by a spate of annual meetings. Matthew Brown eased 4p to 174p after being told

by the chairman that the bad

At Greenall Whitley, figures

were down in the first quarter and the chairman said it would be

difficult to maintain profits at last' year's level. The price slipped 1p.

year's level. The price suppose ry to 124p.
Meanwhile, Arthur Guinness shareholders were told that beer sales in Ireland had fallen and

that negotiations for the sale of

advanced stage. The shares lost

To to 74p.

Vaux Brewery also fell 5p to

127p after announcing it had just paid £7.7m for one of Grand

Metropolitan's London hotels.

Better than expected profits news added 13p to Blundeli-

Permoglaze at 107p, but first half losses left Smith Bros, one of the market's two quoted jobbers, 3p

Equity turnover on February 3 as £175.151m (17,107

OTHER EXCHANGES

Index 7,834 down 26.24.

Michael Clark

down 15.77.

weather had equin bit sales.

Mills and Allen jumped 14p to

Storm over tripled US budget deficit

From Bailey Morris Washington, Feb 4

eruted in the US House of congress. Representatives today as Democratic and Republican

deficit for the 1982 finacial climb from \$109,000m this year.

Based on current estimates of total Federal revenues expected in the 1982 fiscal 1983 and up to \$250,000m by fiscal 1986, congressional budget figures indicated.

House leaders were told they must write a new 1982 budget resolution showing a deficit almost triple the earlier projection.

It is fiscal year, to \$157,000m in fiscal 1983 and up to \$250,000m by fiscal 1986, congressional budget figures indicated.

Mrs Rivlin blamed the new Mrs Rivlin blamed the new

almost triple the earlier projection.

The 1982 deficit is now expected to climb to \$109,500m, up sharply from the earlier projection of dollars \$37,700m largely because of increased defence expenditures and higher than expected costs for social programmes. programmes.

Members of the House budget committee received

unpublished figures showing greatly increased Federal outlays of \$741,000m in 1982 and lower than expected revenues for the year of

This would result in a deficit of more than \$1,000m, Mrs Alice Rivlin, director of the Congressional budget office said. She disclosed the figure in testimony before the house grmed services

The United States stock market reacted to the news said almost immediately dropping three points by midday after the morning.
Mr James Jones, the Demo-

cratic chaiman of the com-mittee said the new deficit

week to push through its

economic programme. In tackling Belgium's econ-omic problems of high unem-

ployment, a huge budget deficit and a growing gap in the current account balance

of payments, Mr Martens's coalition of right-wing liberal and centrist Christian parties

has chosen to mix wage

restraint and government austerity with pro-business

measures to get investment

The week's first package of

neasures under the special powers were anything but painful. To aid the building

industry the government has

decided to cut value adde tax

on construction to 6 per cent from 17 per cent for two

years, and suppress capital gains tax on unused building

. It is awarding tax con-cessions to the self-employed and owners of small busi-nesses and reducing VAT on

gold to just 1 per cent from 6

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A new turore over the raise doubts about the num-Reagan Administration's bers to be includeed in the handling of budget figures new 1983 budget message to

Based on current administ Representatives today as Based on current administration policies and without leaders received more bad further steep budget cuts, new about the projected the deficit is expected to deficit for the 1982 funcial climb from \$109,000m this

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> Mrs Rivlin blamed the new estimates on the Reagan Administration's military buildup which she said would not rekindle inflation but could retard economic

could retard economic growth greatly by producing huge deficits and high interest rates. Mr Jones committee had received new figures from the administration showing higher costs

for unemployment and greatly reduced tax revenues resulting from lower incomes in the United States during the first six months of fiscal

lucomes were down by \$30,000m during the period and oil prices dropped by about \$8,000m. This cut Federal revenues from the \$657,000m assumed in the earlier budget resolution to \$631,000m.

At the same time, Mr Jones said projected federal outlays, had risen sharply because of \$8,000m in new showing small gains most of unemployment costs and the morning. \$7,400m in higher federal interest costs to finance the Total outlays in fiscal 1982

forecast indicated the Admin-istration's basic economic \$740,700m compared with assumptions have been \$695,500m projected in the wrong all along. He said they earlier budget resolution.

Consultation with both sides

of industry is planned but the objective is already clear.

The government is deter

mined to keep the overall growth of wages and salaries this year down to 3 per cent.

mobilizing against plans to revise the index with the

FGTB, the socialist trade

union federation, and the French-speaking wing of the

Christian trade union move-

ment in the depressed south of the country having called a general strike for Monday.

A gargantuan task that still

has to be tackled is devising

the economies to make the 1982 budget deficit conform with the Government's target of Belfr200,000m (£2,400m). At the time of its formation

in December, the Govern-ment said it would have to

effect new economies of about BF120,000m to achieve

this goal and promised a

rigorous campaign against public waste and tax fraud.

Organized labour is already

Emergency powers

for Belgian economy

From Peter Norman, Brussels, Feb 4



Hoesch's cold rolling mill at Dortmund: modern mills but outmoded steelmaking plant.

Heavy losses lead to German steel merger

steelmaking operations would be pooled by the end of this year with other divisions following as soon as

Krupp Stahl and Hoesch have incurred heavy losses as a result of the European steel crisis. The decision to pool their resources follows more than a year of discussions and will be followed by a request for state aid to help finance rationalization mea-

The two companies each produced around five million tonnes of crude steel last year, accounting for about one quarter of total West German output. Their combined turnover was around DM12,000 (*2.750m).

Krupp Stahl is the steelmaking arm of the Krupp
engineering and heavy plant
manufacturing group white
Estel Hoesch Werke is the
West German part of DutchWest German Estel.

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West Germany's second and third largest steel companies today announced plans to merge their steel making capacity to be known as Ruhrstahl AG.

The plans were approved at meetings of the supervisory boards of Krupp Stahl in Bochum and Estel Hoesah Werke in Dortmund.

A joint statement said the Werke in Dortmund. invested heavily in building A joint statement said the up its special steel capacity.

The companies said they would be able to cut costs through the better use of existing plant, through elim-inating overlapping pro-duction divisions and avoid-ing duplicate investments.

They announced a series of new investment projects including the concentration of steel-making in Dortmund in a new oxygen plant with an annual production capacity of 3,500,000 tonnes.

Meanwhile, Thyssen, the largest West German steel and engineering group, is now breaking even on its steelmaking operations and hopes to be in profit from the second quarter of this year.

The company has so much confidence in the future that

Dr Dieter Spethmann, Thyssen's chief executive, said in Dusseldorf yesterday that shares would probably be offered in a ratio of one to The two firms will have five when stock market equal shares in the new conditions allowed.

Chrysler tanks sale

company, met yesterday to consider a \$350m (£187.5m) offer for its tank division \$60m. Mr Lee Iacocca, the from General Dynamics, Chrysler chief, is said to one of the leading American manufacturers of milither the sale rather than risk the bad publicity of any further

The board of Chrysler, the Pentagon. The Chrysler troubled United States car subsidiary, which builds the

the two companies and the

also been going on between request for government aid.

tary hardware. Talks have bad publicity of any further

Tin market on verge of crisis

By Michael Prest

Belgium's ceptre-right The paindul parts of the coalition government of Mr programme will start to come Wilfied Martens has put in the next weeks. The forward its first "train" of government is determined to London's tin market was on the verge of crisis last night despite recent, attempts by the London Metal Exchange authorities to restore calm. The price of cash tin rose another £110 to £8,945 a to the government to accept the CBI's Budget proposals which he reckned was now widely recognised as the first, and more another the case output will leave it not "leaner and fitter" but "smaller and weuker", the National Insurance "smaller and weuker", the Association put forward two was now widely recognised as "The first, and more than the case of the measures to revive the coun-try's economy. Others will index linking wages and follow soon under the special other payments to inflation, powers that parliament in an attempt to make the granted the government this country more competitive. while the three price fell £32 to tonne, months three £8,045.

> Dealers said that the major buyer who has dominated the market since last summer did not sell any tin yesterday. This forced up the price of cash tin and widened still further the backwardation cash prices are normally lower than forward prices. who went short three months ago and whose contracts mature on February 25 and 26.

> The LME committee is therefore faced with the real danger that a corner in tin has been built up. On Tuesday the committee said that after discussions with ring dealing members it had reached an understanding that the premium on cash tin should be limited to £120. But market sources said

that the supply tightness, which loomed later in the month and which was the authorities' main concern, had spread to almost all dates for February delivery. As a result, normal trading on the LME tin market has virtually ceased and the LME committee is faced with a major challenge.

between different delivery dates as traders tried to Dealers have complained for several months that industry has left the market, and some fear that LME's reputation is

The immediate cause of the squeeze is delay to tin shipments aggravated in the view of some traders by the

CBI Budget plans 'modest' The Confederation of British Industry's plea for a ment in 1982-83 of £250m, f1,800m boost for industry rising to £1,000m the followwould not throw the Government's economic plans off more than offset by recourse and out of kilter. Sir ductions in government curTerrence Reckett CRI directs rept spending.

which he reckoned were modest, constructive and modest, constructive and absolutely consistent with the government's overall objectives.

Speaking in London, Sir Terence said: "Even more important, they are one hundred per cent consistent with the best interests of United Kingdom trade and industry. That is why they deserve to be supported and adopted".

"What our package dies isto enable the Chancellor to keep one of the major promises of this govern-ment's election manifesto— to restore the health of our economic life and still control inflation."
The CBI is seeking an

a tax on jobs and home-prosubsidy for imports, he said.
"In fact, NIS is the exact and if we attempted to levy such a subsidy we would soon have Gatt and the EEC breathing down our necks.

How perverse can you get?" Meanwhile a reduction in Interest rates is the key to the recovery for British industry, according to the Association of British Chambers of Commerce in its budget submissions to the

Chancellor of the Exchequer. The association, which represents 57,000 member firms through its 87 local chambers, believes its

favoured, strategy is simply to reduce the Public Sector Borrowing Requirement by £3,000m, immediately reducopposite of an export subsidy ing interest rates and, so the argument goes, stimulating private investment and boost-But anticipating that such

a drastic pruning of the PSBR may prove politically impossible, the Association suggests an alternative approach based on reducing industry's costs.

This strategy requires a 50 per cent cut in employers' National Insurance Sur-charge, cheaper energy for British firms, a reduction in public utility charges and chambers, believes its investment in road and rail approach to be more realistic systems.

Jobbers hit by lean.

British equities last summe caused a slump at Smith Bros., one of the two quoted jobbing firms on the London market. There was a pretax loss of £798,000, as a result of which the dividend for the six months to October 23 has been halved at 0.5p, paid out

The loss per share is 3.7p Smith Bros. does not deal

sectors, and specializes in the gold market.

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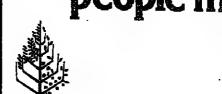
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Oil taxation policies readily criticized

By Jonathan Davis, Energy Correspondent Several North Sea oil fields than 15 per cent, the mini-

now offer less than commer-cial rates of return as a result of the harsher tax regime introduced by the Government last year, two oil experts claim today in a swingeing attack on the Chancellor's oil taxation poli-Alexander Kemp,

Reader in Economics at Aberdeen University, and Mr David Rose, his research assistant, say that the introduction of special petroleum duction of special petroleum dury in the last Budget has pushed the real rate of return on Shell / Esso's South Cormorant discovery and the Heather field operated by Lucion Oil, two proven fields, below 10 per cent

mum that oil companies are normally prepared to accept for such high-risk capitalintensive projects. In an 82-page submission

to the Chancellor, the two Sea fiscal system is "badly in need of reform". They call for the existing complicated four-tier tax regime, consist-ing of royalty, special pet-roleum duty, petroleum revenue tax and corporation tax

discovered in 1975. The field

below 10 per cent. A number of other fields, a few miles to the south west including Beatrice and Magnus, give real returns of less field, is to be called Scapa.

By Derek Harris, Commercial Editor

erased with a rubber is adding a new dimension to the already complex battle among different systems in the £85m-sales pens market. A carbon-copy battle of the new throwaway erasable ball-

razors market, has taken volume sales of the erasable

manager states.

lpoint as a variation between the traditional ballpoint and between the traditional bal-

Wilkinson

use. Accountants, whe appear to favour microfine pens, might be a target consumers when erasables

This is because the biggest customers for erasable ballpoints, at about 39p a piece, are expected to be schoolchildren although there could

appear in this category.

Little impact is foreseen on sales of fibre pens, another user of wet ink, which now

Trading yesterday was largely limited to switching

being damaged.

misjudgment of market psychology by the LME committee. But behind these believe has come from tin producers led by Malaysia. The buyers have spent at least £350m acquiring more than 50,000 tonnes of tin.

factors lies heavy buying since last July which traders

A novel ball-point pen whose latex-based ink can be

son Sword's Scripto starts next month in Britain. In the United States the tussle between these two companies, long rival in the

The rolling ball pen, which first made a big sales impact just over three years ago, uses a wet ink in contrasst to the original ballpoints which employ thicker oil-based ink

account for about 16 per cent of the overall market by value, according to Mr White.

market By Sally White

Roller-coaster share prices and the low ebb of interest in

Mr Anthony Lewis, the chairman, says there has been an appreciable improvement in trading in the third quarter. He adds: "It is impossible at this stage to forecast the results for the full year.

as against earnings per share of 7p for the same period of the previous year. in gilt-edged stock but trades in 1,800 different shares across many of the equity

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New rub-out pen joins £85m sales battle

as the rolling ball, the last ipoint and the fountain pen much of pencils but of cheap big technology leap in pens. (now with under 9 per cent traditional ballpoints.

points seen in the United paste. Rolling ball pens States between Gillette's account for at leaset 12 per Papermate range and Wilkin.

market, according to Wilkin-son Sword, but other trade sources claim 17 per cent and The rolling ball, in which Japan's Pentel is market leader, is "a mutant"

market share by value). The description comes from Mr Graham White, marketing Sword, a subsidiary of Allegheny International based in Pittsburgh in the Junited He sees the erasable bal-

the pencil. Wood-case pencils is a £14m sector which pushes the total market to nearly £100m a year but Mr White expects the erasable ballpoint to hit sales not so

also be some sales for office

By contrast, coffee rose noticeably. March robustas were up £76.50 a tonne to £1,286, and May was £37 higher at £1,208. Traders said nearby supplies are TODAY Housing starts and completions

DEC

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or Jecember.
Company results: Burt Boulton,
Dura Mill, English Associated
Group, ML Holdings, (half-year);
Portsmouth and Sunderland (9) months); Associated Fisheries. British American and General Trust, Glasgow Stockholders

Gas oil prices mainly held on the International Petroleum Ex-Hongkong: Hang Seng Index change in London yesterday, with Tokyo: Nikkei Dow Jones May closing at £271.50-£272 a

off at 37p.

bargains).

weakened were also steady suggesting that traders expect suggesting that traders expect Saudi Arabian oil production to remain below 8.5m barrels a day CURRENCIES \$ per tonne GAS OIL The dollar weakened in late 310 London close trading. The pound recovered from a day's low of \$1.8615.

LONDON CLOSE Sterling \$118700 up 100 points Index 91.7 down 0.1 DM 4.3775 Fr.F 11.0900 Yen 435.50 DOLLAR Index 111.4 unchanged DM 2.3350 down 220 pts GOLD

MONEY MARKETS

\$384.50 up \$6.25

Markets held steady. The Bank bought £262m of bills on a forecast shortage of £300m. its dealing rates were unchanged. Domestic Reles:

Base rates 14% -month interbank 145-144 Euro-Currency Rates 3 month dollar 15-151316 3 month DM 1014-10318 3 month Fr.F 15%-15%

Risky decision facing brokers ... Amstrad still riding high

Uncertainty over Futures Exchange

(Liffe pronounced Life) will be at their own risk. (Philip Robinson

Mr Peter Wills, deputy chairman of the Stock Exchange and the man who has headed a committee to look at how ex-change members would fit in with Liffe, said yesterday that the council had made no firm decisions because there was no clear idea of how Liffe would work in

What they have done is to set out guidelines which effectively say that the council could change its mind at any time depending on how Liffe progresses. Three weeks of intense press-

ure, largely from the market's leading gilt brokers, ensured that no vote was taken last Tuesday when the council met to consider proposals about a change in the exchange rule book.

The exchange is having to decide on a question of principle. Bowing to pressure from some of

its members, the council has been looking at ways of allowing members to act in a dual capacity role in Liffe while preserving an argument for separate capacity which it intends to put before the Restrictive Practices Court poss-

ibly next year or in 1984.

The Office of Fair Trading has already decided that the Stock Senior partners of the Stock Exchange's 250 broking and jobbing firms should be told today that they can take up membership of Financial Futures Exchange and brokers must only act as an agent, embodies a restrictive practice:

writes.)

The brokers do not want any
No decision has been made by rule changes which might restrict
the Exchange Council on whether their performance in Liffe. Howto change its rules to allow ever, all members, alert to members to operate in a dual changing business of the excapacity in Liffe while maintaining seperate capacity in the Stock Exchange.

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However, the Stock Exchange has already demonstrated its flexibility by allowing jobbers' overseas subsidiaries to act both as principals and agents within eir countries. What the brokers have to decide

in the next 10 days is whether

in the next 10 days is whether they are prepared to risk the £30,000 now needed to buy one of the 400 dealing seats just 30 yards from their bsstion of separate capacity at the Corn Exchange.

The 25 firms who have already bought seats at the earlier and cheaper price of £20,000, even before Stock Exchange had considered their view, knew they were taking a risk. What the council has now said clearly is that anyone who wants to join them will do so on the same basis. But it is still arguable whether But it is still arguable whether membership of Liffe should carry a stock exchange health warning.



Alan Sugar: market overcoming its prejudice

BLUNDELL

Profits rise

Blundell-Permoglaze Hold-ings, the building industry paintmaker and supplier,

yesterday announced a rise in pretax profits to £2m from £1.8m last year. As the market had expected that the

pressures of recession would

limit profits to last year's level there was a 13p rise in the ordinary share price to

107p when the results were

Mr Robert White, chair-

man, said the improvement arose mainly from significant increases in exports. An

exceptional order from one of the company's traditional

Middle East markets played a

leading part in the year's

"The industrial division has found the going particu-larly difficult in 1981. Its customers are of course all

involved in manufacturing, the sector which has borne the main burden of the recession", he said.

Sales moved ahead to £25.7m from £23.7m, helped by trading at Federation Paints of Glasgow which Blundell bought for £600,000

The year saw a volume decline of between 6 and 7

per cent in the decorative paint market, equal to 150 million litres a year, which

the company's performance reflected, Mr White said. But

it managed to avoid the

volume drop in the industrial

paint market of between 16

Blundell's volume increase here was about 8 per cent,

but the market increase for

export mopped in these volume falls. The company's

newly-opened Dublin factory

begane to produce water-based paints during the year.

and 17 per cent.

in July.

Hi-fi maker's soaring shares

Amstrad Consumer Electronics, the hi-fi manufacturer of Tottenham, has been riding high since since February last year when a its ordinary shares came to plant was opened at Southend. Mr market in April 1980. The offer Alan Sugar, aged 34, the chairprice of 85p was oversubscribed man, said the company plans to 10 times, and the shares have been buy more land in the area for on an upward trend ever since (Drew Johnston writes).

Although the market in the shares is relatively thin, as directors hold about three-quarters of the issued capital, great things are expected. For the year to June 1981, Amstrad breached pretax profit

forecasts of about £1.9m with £2.37m. Production has boomed another factory. Demand is outstripping supply

This week's 25p rise in the price at the moment, he says. Amstrad to 205p comes less than a week concentrates on racked hi-fi sets, ahead of the half year results, although there are plans to

introduce the increasingly popular micro hi-fi systems. Lec looks

Another big seller has been citizens' band radios, where demand has settled since Christmas. Amstrad is the United Kingdom's biggest supplier.

One problem the company is slowly overcoming is institutional bias toward the shares. Market opinion initially suspected that Mr Sugar was a bright entrepreneur who took his company to market because it had run out of steam. However a proven ability to design products in demand has persuaded the stock market that Amstrad is a good longer-term

Mr Sugar's formula has been to produce United Kingdom-designed hi-fi equipment with components from the Far East, although CB sets are Japanese. New products will make increas-

ing use of microchip technology and will expand the company's

nange.
No exports have been made to the Far East, nor are there plans for exports to North America. "It is not a good market, there is too much dumping of cheap Japanese imports", he said.

A recovery has been staged in

exports to Europe. Demand in the home market has been so great that this is where the company has concentrated its efforts.

Amstrad has now entered the "close season" on sales and profit

forecasts. Next week's results should show a substantial increase in sales. On past performance, overhead costs have been under tight control. If this trend has been control of this trend has been continued, half-year profits should be good.

good for growth

City opinion holds that Lec Refrigeration is one manufactur-ing company which has its priorities right (Drew Johnston writes). Expanded production has been aimed at the big growth area in the domestic refrigeration market—fridge-freezers.

Let has a firm export base and is strong on after-sales service. It is also financially sound to

is strong on after-sales service. It is also financially sound. An absence of balance sheet debt, an above averge return on capital employed and tight overall management control have made it an attractive growth stock in the household market.

This profile and a market

This profile and a market capitalization of about £11m has also made it the subject of takeover speculation from time to takeover speculation from time to time. But a close family and director shareholding of about 50 per cent of the issued capital, and the board presence of Mr David Purley, son of Mr Charles Purley, chairman and founder, makes a takeover bid an unlikely prospect in the medium term.

Going all out for volume growth at the expense of gross margins while in the middle of recession calls for a strong nerve, but that

calls for a strong nerve, but that is what has happened.
Profits have also been growing with pretax figures of £1.6m in

19790, £2.4m in 1980, and market expectations of £2.9m for 1981. The prospective dividend yield for 1981 is 5.0 and p/e is 5.3.

since August.

SAI

improvement in business

ers for another week in April because of the number of unsold cars. It has already made 60,000 men, half of workforce, idle for ing weeks this year. W GERMANY

West Germany's industrial production in December dropped a season adjusted 2 per cent company with November, but was up about 0.5 per cent from December, 1980, it was announced yesterday. Orders

INTERNA

The Italian Government lowered petrol prices years, day by an average of 4.3 fer cent, because prices of in products are falling on international markets, This is the second time neared has been

second time petrol has been

Fiat, Italy's leading the maker, said yesterday that is will lay off 40,000 car and

steel workers for one wisk next mouth and 60,000 week.

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ITALY

the increase in sales of foreign cars, particular West German, and a fall h French exports. It said the was due partly to near the difference between in-flation rates in France in **Germany**.

Despite increased fertilizer cultural Industries failed to overcome difficult market conditions during 1981, and

profits before tax slipped from £4.5m to £4.1m in the year to December.
Turnover rose 11 per cent
to £102.18m. The dividend for
the year is being maintained
at 21p per share with a 12.85p

The group, which is 62.4 per cent owned by ICI, tried to improve production efficiency but this was not enough to offset higher

The 1981 accounts include a charge of £300,000 for plant closure and redundancy costs at Aberdeen, but this was largely offset by an excep-tional credit of £200,030 in respect of local rates adjust-

Borrowings were approaching £7m by the year end, up from £6.3m the previous year, but these peak in December owing to seasonal nature of fertilizer buying, and for part of the year the group has a net cash position. News of the results boos-

1981-82 high of 195p.

In common with other manufacturers, margins have been cut substantially, but although there has been a of about 80 in the 1,000 workforce, this has come from natural wastage and not large scale redundancies.

Tough trading

sales volumes and higher selling prices Scottish Agri-

final. On a current cost basis, the group incurred a pretax loss of £473,000 against a profit the previous year of £188,000.

costs.

ted the share price 3p to 186p, where it yields 11.3 per cent and is approaching its

pean Economic community Mr Kunihko Saito, deputy head of ther Japanese mis-sion to the EEC, told a press. conference in Brussels."It is now up to the Europeans to take advantage of the new possibilities."

Japan's Finance Ministry
has appointed a 12-inember
advisory group of bankers,
traders, industrialists and
scademics to study ways to
deal with developments in Japanese and overseas finalcial markets following en-forcement of the new foreign exchange control law in December 1980. The "study group on basic international financial problems" will discuss the possibility of a Tokyo offshore dollar cemic merits and demerits of the floating exchange rate system and trade and financial friction between Japan and Western countries.

Canada will lend Can\$600m (£268m) to Canadian companies involved in the construction of the Soviet trans-Euro pean gas pipeline, External affairs minister Mark Mac-Guiban said on Wednesday The loan, to be granted by the Economic Development Corporation to several Cina dian enterprises, will create 16,000 jobs.

299 among the 1,026 issues crossing the tape. Early mg board volume amounted to

pointing out that the compa-ny has succeeded in earning Genesco Gentria Pacific Getty Oli Gilliotte Attatic Richfield Avoa Avoa Avoa Products Banker Tra Ny Hank of America Bank of Ny Bealing Foods Endls Bealing Foods Bealing Foods Bealing Bealing Bealing Bealing Bore Varner Bristol Myers BP Central Supar St. Central Supar Supa R Mart Kroger LT.V. Corp Litton Lockheed Lucky Stores Manut Hanover Manchile Cp Marathon Oll Marine Middand Decre Delia Air Detroit Edison Du Punt Eastern Air Eastern Kodak Eastern Corp Ei Paro Nat Gas Equitable Life Exmark Evans Corp Ped Dept Stores Firenone

Lovell

Call to raise £3.6m

A call on shareholders for huilding and timber group Y. J. Lovell yesterday failed to budge the shares, standing at 274p, 2p off the year's

high.
The news comes two weeks
after the group reported last year's pretax profits ahead by 11 per cent to £3.12m and a higher dividend. The gloomy but predictable signs were losses in its timber importing business and plant

hire companies.

The issue will raise 1.71 million new shares at 220p each on basis of one for four. A scrip issue of one for one is planned after the issue and shares issued before will also

Sir Peter Trench, chairman, said the group pre-ferred to fund activities and expansion by an issue to increasing overall level of gearing which currently stands at 50 per cent to shareholder's funds. Borrowshareholder's funds. Borrowshareholder's funds. Borrowshareholder's funds. Borrowshareholder's funds.

es than forward selling to financial institutions.

BIDS AND DEALS

Burmah Oil has received accept-

ances covering 20.5. Crods International shares, representing 19.4 per cent of the ordinary

shares or 17.6 per cent of total voting capital. It also received

deferred shares, or 0.18 per cent of the voting capital. The offers

have been extended until February

1982 of 7p (3.75p) a share.

shareholders should have know-ledge now of Croda's 1982 divs.

so that they can properly assess the value of Croda shares in the

its offer and seeks to acquire ord.

shares in the market at higher

than 70p. The review of prospects

for 1982 and later years is proceeding. Directors will com-

The outlook for Crods and the

chemical sector generally over the next tew years is so favourable that Croda says it would be a disservice to share holders not to

forecast to shareholders not to forecast a level of divs. for 1982

demonstration of the confidence the board has in the future. The board is therefore forcasting divs.

for the year ending December 26 1982 of 7p an increase of 86 per

cent over the 3.75p net rec-

include an acceptance by Castrol,

wholly owned by Burmah, in respect of 17.42m ord. shares (16.5 per cent of the ordinary

share capital and 14.99 per cent

of the total voting share capital)

which were purchased on Decem-

ber 18 1981, before the offers

shares in Croda have been acquired or agreed to be acquired

Bell and Howell, the inter-

national information systems

company, had acquired the

whole of the issued share capital

of Data Laboratories, the Mitcham (Surrey)-based maker of

the Datalab range — currently

Kingdom of high-technology

part of the international elec-

Data Laboratories will form

market leader in the Unite

acquired or agreed to be acquired by Burmah since December 18.

Other persuant to the offers no

were announced.

instrumentation.

nmended for 1981.
Acceptances of the ord. offer

Burmah is forecasting dividends

Croda's board considers that

ices for some 220,000

has been open for a year and f3.4m against shareholders is profitable, and another funds of £4.6m and the group four hospitals are under construction or planned, further to channel funds into Equity is needed for these its other businesses— office investments he said

investments, he said.

Property development, technical and drawing office where Lovell earns some £1m services, printing and enginwhere Lovell earns some £1m from rental income, will continue to be expanded. Some 400 houses at the top end of the market were built last year and the group aims produced the best set of to increase its land stocks. Lovell is a market leader in partnership housing with local authorities and further developments are planned.

Sign Passar solid the market eager in profits to £296,000 last time to £296,000 last in the market leader in pre-tax profits to £296,000 last in £296,000

Sir Peter said the current year would be tough at the trading level, profits well. "Those who believe that the construction industry might be used as a vehicle for duced, at £933,000 compared Sir Peter said the This was achieved on sales down by £2m at £37.9m. reflating the economy are in my view likely to be disapmy view likely to be disappointed no matter what cogent arguments are raised in its favour," he said.

The group is forcasting f425,000 on turnover of that this year dividends will f11.4m. Lonsdale puts the

in its favour," he said.

The group is forcasting that this year dividends will at least be maintained — it was lifted 14 per cent this year to 11.2 gross.

ings at January 8 were £13.7m.

Lonsdale Universal is to offer its bookselling division against £869,000. Losses in the engineering division were conditions, this is better done from within its own resources than forward salling the salling business to support its to support its to support its fell some £200,000 to main business to support its fell some £200,000 to main business to support its Lonsdale is

the existing network of Bell and Howell Companies, Mr Bond

substantial increase in export sales, especially as Datalab's

advanced equipment for the processing of high-speed and

transient waveform complements

Bell and Howell's own trans-

ducers, signal amplifiers and

data recorders.

The group will now be able to

offer a comprehensive product

its retrieval and examination, as

well as integrated systems for

industrial, medical and military

value of the net assets at

second Ford main dealership to

Munton Brothers is to acquire

Lillygould, a private company. The price will be £250,000 in

either cash or ordinary shares in

Munton, which when placed on behalf of the vendor will provide

a net sum of £250,000 after

commission and expenses; and 476,190 ordinary shares in Munton which the vendors will

retain for minimum of a year, ogether with an amount equal

o 30 per cent of the adjusted

axable trading profits of Lilly-

Johnson Group Cleaners has

share capital of Tuchman Cleaners, and Tuchman Realty Inc of

about *1.9m.

ations on Euroe, Africa and the 29 retail shops. Other activities

Middle East. Mr Steven Warman, include apparelmaster garment

ment in due course during the range, extending from the offer period on the outstanding capture and storage of data to

This is expected to lead to a

unchanged yesterday at 37p. currently One such project is the joint venture into developing private hospitals with Seltahart Holdings. The first hospital, Clare Park Clinic, director, and Mr Derek Bond,

laundry and cleaning of housethe division's United Kingdom technical director, have been hold upholstery fabrics.
Caravans International has sold its factory at Poole, Dorset, which formerly housed the Bluebird static holiday caravan appointed Datalab's joint managing directors.
"Datalab will keep its own identity in design and manufacmanufacturing business, for £315,000 cash. It was sold as turing", and also retain re-sponsibility for marketing its part of the group's reorganizaproducts in the United Kingdom. tion. Net profits of the sale Overseas, however, marketing will in future be strengthened by exceeded the net book value of

ticket holders into library books and distributes some

25 million books around the

world to liraries and educational centres. Mr A. Edwards, its managing director and chairman, will remain with the division.

the property by some £300,000, to be used in a further reduction of the company's term loan. Donald Macpherson Group has acquired Briggs & Townsend from Johnson & Firth Brown for total £1.8m cash to be paid over of net assets as at December

CAPITAL MARKETS

Japanese underwriters: Four leading Japanese securities companies have cut Japanese companies' plans for Eurobor flotation in the second quarte this year to between \$1.100 (£591m) to \$1,200m Braid Group has acquired T. estimated \$2,200m in the first Simister for £490,000 cash, quarter, Simister operates a Ford main dealer in Macclesfield. The book Tokyo. quarter, securities industrie industry sources reported in

Nomura Securities, Niki December 31, amounted to Securities, Daiwa Securities and £392,000 and the pretax profit Yamaichi Securities made the for the year to August 31 was reduction to prevent a rush of £84,500. The acquisition adds a Japanese issues, mostly con-Japanese issues, mostly con-vertible bonds, from disrupting the market as they did last September.

\$250m (£134m) through a 13-year retractable floating-rate note on the Eurobond market, the lead manager, Samuel Montagu, reported in London yesterday.

Paying a margin of 1/4 per cent over a six-month London Interbank offered rates, the issue can be retracted to eight years at the investor's option if notice is given in 1985. Payment pould for the year to April 30, is due on March 1.

acquired through their Johnson Group US Holding company the **S Korea**

Mr John Biffen, Secretary Indianapolis, for \$1.75m cash of State for Trade, arrived in (£940,000). Annual sales are Seoul from Japan and said \$3.6m and net asset value is Britain was ready to provide capital and technology for tronics and instruments division
of Bell and Howell, the British
company responsible for opercompany responsible for opercapital of Indiana, where it has
the second of the second o fence industry projects. He also urged South Korea to increase imports of British-Datalab's founder and managing rental, and some commercial made goods.

Solvent-based paint pro-duction would begin by the end of the year, making the plant self-sufficient. Mr White also hinted that a European acquisition, most likely in Germany, was possible before next year end.
"There is very little importing of paint in industrialized countries, Most satisfy their own requirements. Factories have got to be close

to where the paint is being sold," he said.

Earnings per ordinary share increased dramatically from 6.3p to 19.2p partly as a result of £266,000 tax credit.



November 8, against £419,000

Half year dividend has this has fallen to £162,000 been held at 2.28p gross per before tax in the 32 weeks to ordinary share, though total payout for the year is up from 6.85p to 8p gross.

STONEHILL

Holding on

Despite a continuing fall in man, notes the serious plight sales, Sonehill Holdings, the of the furniture industry,

furniture manufacturer, has managed to do what many competitors have failed to do competitors have failed to do a profit, and reports that and stay in profit, although there has been a marginal

LATEST RESULTS

Company	Seles -	Profits	Earnings	pauce	Pay	Year
Int or Fin	£ni	Em	per share	p.	date	lot
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tonnes.

TiN was sleady:- Afternoon.standard cash. £8940-50 a
tonne: three months £8040-50.
Sales, 590 tonnes. High grade.
cash £8940-50: three months
£8040-50. Sales, nil tonnes.
Morning.-Standard cash £895060: three months £8020-30.
Settlement, £8960. Sales, 1,230
tonnes. High grade, cash £895060: three months, £8020-30.
Settlement, £8960. Sales, nil
tonnes, Singapore tin ex-works,
SM 54.70 a bicul.

SM 34.70 a bicul.

LEAD was barely steady. —

Afternoon, — Cash £540-41 per tonne; three months £549-49.50. Sales. 2.700 tonnes.

Morning. — Cash £344-44.50; three months £353.50-54.00.

Settlement £344.50. Sales.

5.075 tonnes.

ZINC was steady. — Afternoon

£455.50-56.00. Settlement, £451.00. Sales, 4,300 tonnes. PLATINUM was at £197.95 (\$369) a troy ounce. (\$369) a troy ounce.

SILVER was steadler. — Builion market (fixing levels). — Spot. 450.70p per troy ounce (United States cents equivalent. 841.00); three months. 465.90p (872.40c); six months. 481.45p (904.20c); one year. 512.00p (965.90c). London Metal Exchange. — Afternoon. — Cash. 448.49p; three months. 464-65.5p. Sales. 37 lots of 10:000 troy ounces each. Morning. — Cash. 448.49.0p. Sales. 36 lots.

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Altiminuim was largely steady.

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S95.00: Invoe grants 2518.30-19.00; Settlement. £596.00. Saies. 4.075; tonnes. was steady. — Afternoon. — Research. 25.102.25 per tonnes: three grants £5.155-60. Saies. 168 tonnes. Morning. — Cash £3.123-55: three months £3.155-60. Saies. £28.tonnes. 25.160-65. Settlement. £3.160-65. Settlement. £3.160-65. Settlement. £4.50-61.00. April 19.50-50.00. April 19.50-50.00. April 19.50-50.00. April 19.50-50.00. April 19.50-50.00. April 19.50-61.00. Apr

COCOA (£ per metric ton): Mch 1182-1184: May 1161-1162; Jly 1171-1172: Sep 1183-1185; Dec 1194-1196: Mch 1210-1214: May 1215-1223. Sales:

1.485 lois. ICCO prices: dally (Feb. 3). 93.86c; indicajor price. (Feb 4) 5-day average. 93.58 c. (US cents per lb.). 54.58 c. (US cents per lb.).
SUGAR. — The London daily price of "raws £3.00 lower at £168; the "whites" price was unchanged at £175. Futures (£ per tonne). Mch. 175.90-174.00. May 177-177.50; Aug 179.25-180.75 Oct 183-184. Jan 184-185.50 Mch 188.20-188.50. May 190-191 Sales: 5.827 lots. ISA prices (Feb. 3): daily, 15.12 c; 15-day average. 15.13c. 13.13c.
SOYABEAN MEAL (2 per lonne): Feb 131-131.50. Apl 133.40-133.70; Jne 132.60-132.70 Aug 133-133.20; Oct 133.50-136.00; Dec 134-136.50; Feb 134-139. Sales: 166 lots.

COMMODITIES

COPPER was steadler: Afternoon.-Higher grade cash, £867-68; three months £896.50-97.50. Sales: 4,500 tonnes. Cash standard cathodes, £864-66 three months £893-94; Sales: nll tonnes. Morning:-Higher grade cash, £864-65.00; three months £894-95.00. Settlement, £865.00. Sales 8.775 tonnes. Cash standard cathodes, £863-65.00; three months, £891-93.00. Settlement, £891-93.00. Settlement, £865.00. Sales 100 tonnes.

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were unchanged company with November but up 1.3 cent on the year before. Car sales in France tell 2 per cent last year at 1,334,826, the French of manufacturers reported terday. Becauterday. Becauterday were 8.9 per cent higher than they were the manufacture. Car sales in France Tell The manufacturers' association said it was worried. BELGIUM Japan will be unable to meet more demands after as recent "unique and unilateral concessions" to redress in trade surplus with the Euro-

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CANADA

WALL STREET

last time.
Turnover slipped from £10.92m to £9.93m and dividend at the half year is cut New York, Feb 4. — Prices opened lower in active trading. The Dow Jones industrial average, which fell 7.52 pts on Wed, was off 0.86 pt to 844.17 shortly after the 844.17 shortly after the setbacks this weeks. from 4p to 2p. Earnings per share were 0.64p against Mr Philip Steinberg, chair-

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ICL heads for the City

Businessmen Government money and occasionally honours — John De Lorean, Sir Michael Edwardes (BL), Sir Peter Parker (BR) and Lord Kearton of British National Oil Corporation tend to lose their

city clout the moment they take the Queen's shilling.
Will Christophor Laidlaw (chairman) and Robb Wilmot (managing director) of ICL, our leading computer maker,



stand out in this dismal crowd? Yesterday Mr Laid-law and his right hand man met a gaggle of City insti-tutions and stockbrokers, one lot in the morning and the other in the afternoon, to convince them that they, (and

the group) had a future.

Mr Wilmot, one must remember is the City's best paid 36-year-old (£150,000 a) paid 36-year-old (£150,000 a year) with a Wimbledon house worth nearly £300,000 (why pick on Lord Grade or Ralph Halpern of Burton?). Moreover, the dynamic duo had the City's money men eating out of their hands at the end of an hour long

Briefy, ICL, recently the butt of a Government £200m rescue, is on target for around £30m of profits after 1980-81's £50m of losses, and many more deals like the one with Fujitsu of Japan are on the way. Promises, they say, are gifts for fools, and ones

to say so, but if you fancy your chances with Red Ken and Blue Maggie, why not call London Transport, where a successor to the embattled Sir Peter Masefield as £36,000 a year chairman of LT is being sought. Transk & Co. the year chairman of L1 is being sought. Tyzack & Co, the headhunters. I hear, have been let off the leash and ordered to bring back somebody, preferably in his or her early 50s who from this March or so could take on one or possibly two five-year terms.

Life on the Left Bank

To the relief of the rather conservative staff of France's second largest bank, Credit Lyonnais, their new chair-man is Jean Deflassieux, aged 56, who for the last 10 ears has been in charge of the international department. There had been fears that the government might choose a Communist idealogue like

Phillipe Herzog. Deflassieux cooperated with the Left under his Resistance pseudonym Jean-Pierre Barel and he was largely responsible for preparing the Socialist Party's plan for the nationalization of the French banking sector. Crédit Lyonnaise was nationalized just after the nationalized just after the war and the government will merely take over the minority held by employees. Ironically, the employeeshareholders may now receive only 342F for their stock instead of 711F as originally promised.
Deflassieux takes over

from a close collaborator of former President Giscard D'Estaing, Claude Pierre-Brossolette.

Here endeth the third week of the new People column, and here beginneth a new editor. From Tuesday morning I shall be handing over to my colleague, Peter Wainwright, whom I shall commend to you. As for me, I shall be you. As for me, I shall be occupying this space on Mondays only with Inter-City, Business News's new regional column. See you Monday.

Ross Davies

NEW APPOINTMENTS

Mr Philip G. Ratcliff has been appointed managing director of UTP Packaging Company He succeeds Mr Sidney A. Bailey who will continue in his capacity

Mr William R. O. Griffiths has been appointed a director of William Leech. Mr Walter Teffer has bee

appointed to the board of Low & Bonar as finance director.

Dr lain Anderson has been appointed chairman of the international fragrance and flavour company PPF which was formed by the recent merger of Pro-prietary Perfumes. Food industries

pregary Pernunes, rood shousanes and Bertrand Freros. Mr Peter Samuel has been appointed chairman of Samuel Properties. He succeeds Viscount ersted, who has retired. Mr Peter Paine, managing

director of Tyne Tees Television, and Mr Robert Phillis, managing Television have been appointed to the board of Independent Tele-

vision News. Mr Neville Simms has been appointed to the board of Tarmac

Mrs Georgina Andrews has been appointed a director of S. Simpson. Mrs Andrews has been a director of the retail subsidiary Laboratory's original Veri-sign hardware used an ordi-nary ball-pen or pencil on a

Peter Wilson-Smith on the progress of proposals to reform London's insurance market

The Lloyd's Bill to bring up to date the archaic rules and procedures of the London insurance market where the rich and famous stake their fortunes, lurched another small step forward in its tortuous path through Parliament this week.

The Bill — which will modernize self-regulatory procedures dating back to the 1871 Lloyd's Act — has caused deep divisions among the 20,000 underwriting members of Lloyd's, among those who actually work in the market and among the Lloyd's broking community.

Despite the intensive examination the Bill was subjected to by the House of Commons committee headed by the incisive Mr Michael Meacher, Labour MP for Oldham West, divisions still remain. But in face of delaying tactics by Conservative backbenchers on Wednesday night, the Bill looks set to continue on its course. ·

The motion to start the report stage of the Bill was finally carried without a division on Wednesday and providing more time is found for the Bill, which seems likely, the next stage will be to consider amendments. Although some 23 amendments were tabled the Speaker has whireled these down to ments were tabled the Speaker has whittled these down to two covering the main issues of legal "immunity" for the new ruling council and "divestment" — the clause which would force brokers to sell off their underwriting

It seems that another two three-hour sessions may be found to debate these two issues and Lloyd's itself remains confident. Mr Peter Miller, the Lloyd's committee member who has had the unenviable task of trying to pilot the Bill through, said: "We are confident that the Government will find further time to enable the examination of the amendments to ation of the amendments to be concluded and to allow the Bill to move to a third reading and then to the House of Lords."

for idiots. Whatever, the duo yesterday told the City what it wanted to hear.

This may not be the moment of the could get the Royal Assent by mid-summer and remains adamant that Lloyd's has no intention of making any

more compromises.

However the opponents of the Bill are still set on forcing through changes. Mr Malcolm Pearson, of Lloyd's broker Pearson Webb Springbett, has been campaigning forcely to set the impunity fiercely to get the immunity clause removed from the Bill Mr Pearson, who has been working closely with Con-servative backbenchers, said yesterday that the battle would continue.

"The market is now against this Bill and I think it against this Bill and I think it is very foolish to blunder on with it", he said. Mr Pearson believes it is foolish of Lloyd's to include Clause 14, the immunity clause, when it risks bringing down the Bill, and he believes that Wednesday night's debate showed as

much.
"It showed that there are seven to eight Tory MPs who object strongly enough to Court judge Sir Henry Fisher Clause 14 to do everything examine and recommend on they can to frustrate the Bill," he says.

Bill," he says.

Certainly the possibility of the Tory backbenchers talking the Bill out still cannot be discounted. They demonstrated on Wednesday night that they were capable of doing so although it seemed equally clear that the Bill's opponents did not want to kill it altogether.

Final hurdles for the Lloyd's Bill



Peter Green, Lloyd's chairman, amid the clamour

The one point on which this. The committee is pre-most in Parliament and those sently trying to expel Mr involved with Lloyd's agree, is that a Bill is urgently needed. It has become increasingly apparent in recent singly spparent in recent years in the wake of the various scandals such as the Sasse affair, the troubles surrounding the Christopher Moran Group, and the Savonita affair, that the powers of the Lloyd's committee are both inadequate and outdated.

A recent example involving the Christopher Moran' Group serves to Illustrate

sently trying to expel Mr
Reid Wilson, a Lloyd's underwriter formerly connected
with the Moran Group, from
membership of the market
for what it describes as acts
"discreditable to him as an
underwriter". Mr Wilson
began in 1979 and only last
month Lloyd's amounced its
findings.

Of the two main issues now
surrounding the bill — immonity and divestment — the
latter was carefully examined
at the committee stage and in
the view of Michael Meacher
is crucial to the Bill. — if
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is crucial to the Bill in divestment were not included
I would not want the bill to
be passed," he says.

The 'opposition to divestment, which was included at findings.
However it now needs a

four-fifths vote of members at a special meeting to expel him, and all this nearly three years after it first started investigating the issue.

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I would not want the bill to be passed," he says.

The 'opposition to divest-ment, which was included at the insistence of the Com-mons Committee, has been spearheaded by the Alexand. er Howden group, a Lloyd's broker with big underwriting

The story behind the Bill:

June 1980: Fisher Report is published and recommends wide ranging changes to bring the insurance market's procedures up to date, it urges setting up new ruling council for the market with non-working underwriting rep-resentatives, a wider range of penalties and divestment of

1979: Following a succession of scandials Lloyd's decides to set up a working party under former High Court judge Sir Henry Fisher to examine and recommend on its self-regulatory powers.

Nov 1980: At Albert Half meeting of members.

Nov 1980: At Albert Half meeting Dec 1981: Commons committee agrees.

Lloyd's members vote for introduction of Lloyd's bill based on Fisher to of Lloyd's broker with the sectors and committee agrees.

Lloyd's members vote for introduc-tion of Lloyd's bill based on Fisher Report proposals — excluding Jan 1981: Newly formed External

May 1981: House of Commons committee headed by Mr Michael Meacher shocks Lloyd's by demanding both divestment and

extensive underwriting latterests, to remove divestment clause from

Jan 1981: Opposition grows to Clause 14 which would give new ruling council of Lloyd's immunity from being sued for damages by members. Conservative backbenchers threaten to try to block Bill unless I loyd's companyiese.

Immunity remains a much more contentions issue. The Committee of Lloyd'd remains adamant that it must be included. It argues that without some form of immunity it would not be able to carry out its new regulatory duties properly.

The committee fears that if it is to be able to take action.

it must be able to do so without fear that it will be sued for damages should, for instance, a suspended member be prevented from working but ultimately cleared

Lloyd's believes that newly formed council's effec-tiveness as a regulatory body would be greatly impaired without this kind of immun-ity although it has conceded that members should be able to sue for damages resulting from clerical error attributable to Lloyd's.

Eurther Lloyd's has argued that it is ultimately the members who make up the Lloyd's community who have to bear the losses if a member sues and this is inconsistent with the spirit of the market where members undertake the risk of losses "each for his own part and not one for another."

Opponents of immunity, however, fear, that it would place Lloyd's above the law and point to the Sasse affair where the members of the Sasse syndicate, which was suspended facing losses of more than 220m, sued Lloyd's claiming that market systems were at fault. A systems were at fault. A compromise deal was worked out under which the Lloyd's community footed the bill for more than £15m of the losses.

The immunity clause has already been modified during the course of the Bill through parliament, and the Meacher Committee rejected the original open-ended proposals which would have left it to the Lloyd's committee to the draw on immunities under draw up immunities under by-laws. Instead the Meacher Committee insisted that the immunities should be specifi-cally stated in the Bill.

However Lloyd's committee, says Mr Peter Miller, feels that it has made enough compromises and it is not prepared to budge again.

So as the Bill heads for the next stage the behind the

next singe the behind the scenes meetings and lobbying continue aimid bluff and counter-bluff from those trying to push it through and those trying to prevent it those who feel the Bill is all or partly along the right lines and those who feel that any new Bill will only tend to stultify the freedom of the market.

larket. If the Bill does reach the statute books there is still no guarantee that a new Lloyd's council will use its new found powers effectively. But, if the Bill does not the countil will use its new found powers effectively. But, if the Bill does not the issue of regulation at Lloyd's will be thrust back in the hands of the Government a prospect unlikely to appeal to anyone in the meantime while it is

asking too much to expect total agreement from any institution with 20,000 members, there is little doubt that the reputation of Lloyd's has not been enhanced by the equabbling and disagreement which has surfaced during the last few years. There are many in the market who will breathe a sigh of relief when the battle over the Bill has been finally resolved.

natural to sign for money.

Speaking into a voice recognition machine would not come so easily, Mr Law

maintains.
TSL was the first comme

TSL was the first commercial enterprise to take up the National Physical Laboratory's Verisign technology. Next will be Quest Automation, which is incorporating it under the name Q Sign in an existing product called.

Micropad.
Micropad is a terminal that
converts hand written letters
and numbers into electronic

Business Editor

Borrowing on course

After the overshoots of the past couple of years it look as if the government's original estimate for the public sector borrowing requirement (£10,600m) will requirement (£10,600m) will prove rather closer to the mark this time round. Not, as we shready know, that the government is fully on top of its spending fargets this year, but the day seems set to be saved by revenue proving rather, more buoyant than expected.

For the first nine months the PSER comes out at just over £9,700m, a figure inflated by about £5,000m as a result of the civil servants' distuption of tax revenue last year. Of the

revenue last year. Of the £3,000m itself, £500m or so relates to additional interest charges sustained as a result of the delay in receiving tax revenue, and the remainder to revenue still owing.

The last quarter is never that easy to predict, largely

that easy to predict, targely because of uncertainties relating to local authoritis and public corporations. This year, for instance, the full year local authority borrowing requirement authorities remain roughly in balance.

in balance.

When the Chancellor comes to present his Budget he will not of course, know the likey full year outcome with total precision. That may be just as well, For though some analysts still expect the full year figure to overshoot marginally, others are now looking for an undershoot. Presentationally, it would be far more convenient for the Chancellor to be able to amounce tax cuts and show announce tax cuts and show a significant out it next year's PSBR when he sets out his strategy on March 9.

Oil taxation Change needed

With little more than a month to go to the Budget, there are two things that the Chancellor of the Exchequer has to decide about the current North sea oil taxation regime. One is whether the overall burden whether the overall burden of maxion is too high. The other is whether the whole fiscal system is in need of a thorough overhaul, to take account of the changed circumstances since the North Sea first came on stream six and a half years ago.

hands of the Government a prospect unlikely to appeal to taxation (royalty, special anyone in the market. petroleum duty, peroleum in the meantime while it is revenue an corportion tax) is — choosing one's words — outdated. is — choosing one's words with fare — outdated, inequitable, anomalous and inefficient. The great merit of the latest oil tax submission, from two academics at Aberdeen University, is that it has spelled out cooly, and without partiality, just how anachronistic the present regime has become

ins become.

It is clearly abourd, for example, that the tax regime should make it more profitable for an oil company with one maint field under profitable for an oil company with one major field under its belt to develop a hearty sensitive/discovery? as a separate (and therefore more expensive) operation when it could be more cheaply developed by being tied into the existing production facilities. Yet that is what the ourrent tax regime, in several instances effectively encourages. The truth is that the oil price explosion during 1979

price explosion during 1979 and 1980 has rendered the and 1980 has rendered the original. North Sea tax arrangements obsolete. Last year's temporary expedient of a crude tax on revenue, the Special Petroleum duly, was acknowledged by the Chancellor to be a less than perfect attempt to cream off some of the windfall profits generated by the oil price rises.

generated by the oil price rises.

If the Chancellor can persuade the Inland Revenue to carry out the necessary work in time, there is no question that he should scrap the existing

coherent tax on profits.
Only then can he ensure that the nation (as represented by the taxpayer) is collecting the maximum economic rent from the North Sea. The Institute of Fiscal Studies, and now the Aberdeen University team, have suggested schemes that in theory will go a long way towards meeting these ends — without endangering the amount of revenue the Treasury receives from the North Sea

Is it too much to hope that these ideas can be pursued? This year, probably, yes. Despite the cries of "wolf" from the oil companies, there is little that the oil companies are paying more, en masse, than they can afford — or are willing to pay — for the right to exploit our offshore oil reserves. If they are (and there was no one more convinced last year that they were not than Mr Nigel Lawson, then a Treasury minister and now Energy Secretary), then the excess Secretary), then the excess is only marginal.

German steel Re-alignment

The deal announced yesterday between Krupp Stahl and Estel Hoesch represents a major reconstruction of the alling West German steel industry, albeit that the merging of albeit that the merging of the companies' bulk steel interests does not go as far as the Bonn government would have wished. The government wanted to put together Krupp, Hoesch and the publicly-owned Salzgeit, ter.

However, the new Ruhr-stahl will become the second largest steel pro-ducer, just behind Thyssen, making about 12 million metric tonnes a year. metric tonnes a year.

The merger is, of course, defensive. The industry has been hit by plummeting demand, especially from the construction industry, and West German steel-makers continually complain at the large subsidies poured by the British and French governments into their competing industries. Thyseen's world-wide steel interests lost f1.7m last year after a £25m profit previously. Losses have continued into the first quarter this year and a £100m plus rights issue is planned. In 1981, Thyssen lost £13 on every tonne of lost £13 on every tonne of steel produced. A price rise of £32 per tonne should help Thyssen into the black while the merger will estab-lish a fitter, leaner group for the challenges of recession and subsidised

Anyone reading doom for the jobbing system in the pretax loss reported by Smith Bros yesterday is being premature, even though drastic restructuring is currently being contem-plated by many sections of the City. In its latest trading period Smith was caught by the switching of institutional attention to overseas mar-kets and to interest rates. kets and to interest rates.
London equities were out of fashion. Also Smith is particularly associated with South African gold shares, another poor market, and the period took in last September's "Black Monday" when the index plummeted and then recovered

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meted and then recovered equally sharply.

Just to show that the conditions in the first half of the year were unusual Smith has only cut the dividend by half. Conditions so far in the second half are much improved, though it is too early to say if the dividend could be restored at the year end.

The half-year loss is not large in terms of the group's balance sheet. But the sort of scare given by "Black Monday" and the cost of running books with the continuing high level of interest rates does not help jobbers run books that allow for healthy markets.

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Bank's electronic war on forgery A signature is a traditional guarantee of one's identity, and bank customers find it

TECHNOLOGY: COMPUTER SECURITY

By Clive Cookson

From May, customers of the Nacional Financiale Bank will have to sign on an electronic pad before they withdraw money from any of the 50 branches in Mexico City. A microprocessor will analyse each signature as it is written and make sure that it matches the customer's "ref-erence signature" stored in the bank computer.
The Mexican trial will be

the world's first commercial application of electronic signeture verification — a security precaution that is likely to become a common method of personal identification within a few years. The verification system, known as Verisign, is sup-plied by a new British

tory, licensed through the British Technology Group. While a practiced forger

can produce a false signature that looks virtually identical to the real thing, experiments show that no one can imitate the speed and rhythm with which another person writes. Therefore. Versisign measures not only shape including the area of the signature, length of ink on the paper, number of line crossings, up strokes and down strokes — but also the timing — such as speed and acceleration, sequence of dotting Is and crossing Ts. The National Physical

pressure-sensitive pad; writing on it made electrical

Signing in - technical manager Rod Beatson and secretary Susan Kennett

does not wear out so easily.

When a new user — say, a bank customer — comes to Verisign for the first time, he is asked to sign five times on the pad. The computer analyses the shape and timing of the signatures and, if there are unusual inconsistencies, it automatically requests some more. The samples are processed to produce a reference signature.

measures varies too much in a signature, the computer will not take that particular feature into account in his reference signature. For example, size would be dropped for someone whose signature was sometimes large and sometimes small, so the system would not always challenge his identity.

algorithms, the Verisign software converts the reference signature into a few hundred binary digits, which may be stored in the memory of a central computer or on the magnetic stripe of a credit or identity card.

Whenever the user signs in, he generates a new stream of digits which have to be

serious than handing the cash to a forger. And, of course, the rejected customer can be given the opportunity to prove his identity in another way. But for withdrawals of £100 the threshold could be raised considerably without much financial risk.

When a prototype Verisign terminal was used to protect access to Esso's IBM computer, it correctly authorised 580 users and rejected only four genuine signatures. All

reference and actual 'signatures is set to accommodate the variability of an individual's writing without accepting a forgery.

The bank or other owner of a Verrisign system can automatically vary the rejection threshold to reflect the value of a transaction or the damage that false acceptance would cause. For example, is the most socially acceptance the threshold would be very able method for institutions low for someone withdrawing that deal with the public.

and numbers into electronic code for entry into a computer. It will be available with Q Sign in the second half of this year. The company is also developing Q Sign as an independent device, for physical access to secure areas or for entry to computers. computers.

Electronics companies in the United States are also working on signature verification. The leader of the known as Verisign, is supplied by a new British tas moved on to an "electromagnetic field decompany, Transaction Security, which is 40 per cent owned by Finance For Industry. It's technology was derived from research at the National Physical Laboratory, licensed through the British Technology Group.

The verification system, known as verisign, is supplied by a new British But unique writing features are but unique writing features. American pack is probably. Sycon of California, which has taken up technology developed by the Stanford Research Institute. But Bristians. thin still seems to have the lead.

almost identical to the refer-ence to be accepted. The 180 attempted forgeries were difference allowed between rejected during the experi-reference and actual signa-ment, said Mr Rod Beatson,

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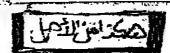
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Law Report February 5 1982 House of Lords

Award over frustrated oil deal upheld

Before Lord Wilberforce, Lord Diplock, Lord Keith of Kinkel,

Lord Scarman and Lord Brandon [Speeches delivered February 4] The House of Lords, in what

case brought under the Law Reform (Frustrated Contracts) Act 1943, held that where one party to a contract made in 1960 involving an oil concession in Libya, had obtained a valuable benefit from the other party benefit from the other party before the contract was frusresident the contract was frustrated by the political acts of the revolutionary Libyan government in 1971, the party conferring the benefit could apply under section 1(3) of the 1943. Act for recovery from the court and be awarded such sum representing the males. such sum representing the value of the henefit as the court considered just. Section 1(3) of the 1943 Act

provides: "Where any party to the contract has, by reason of anything done by any other party thereto in, or for the purpose of, the performance of the contract, hefore the time of discharge, there shall be recoverable from him by the said other party such sum (if any), not exceeding the value of the said benefit to the party obtaining it, as the court transders inst.

By section 2(3): "Where any contract to which this Act applies

sasign of BP, subject to the party obtaining it, as the court to my contract to which this Act applies contains any provision which the contract, is intended to have effect in the event of circumstances arising which operate or would but for the said provision and chall only give effect to the cort to be consistent with the said provision and shall only give effect to the foregoing section of this Act to such extent, if any, as appears to five contract to which extent to such extent, if any, as appears to such extent, if any, as appears to such extent, if any, as appears to make the contract to such extent, if any, as appears to such extent extent of the contract of the content of the content to be consistent with the said provision.

Mr Robert Alexander, QC, Mr Isin Milligan and Mr R. G. Wood for BP

LORD BRANDON said that in May 1975, BP began an action against Mr Nelson Bunker Hunt in the Commercial Court alleging that a coutract governed by English law, made between thur and BP in 1950 for the sharing on a non-partnership basis of an oil concession granted to Hunt in Libya, had been frustrated as result of the expropriation by the Libyan government of BP's sharing on a result of the expropriation by the Libyan government of BP's sharing of the content of the con both Hunt's apeal and BP's cross appeal against the judge's order and refused leave to present a petition of sppeal to the House.

Leave for Hunt to appeal was, however, given by the appeal committee, no doubt in part at committee, no doubt in part at least because this appeared to have been the first contested case have been the first contested case have been the 1943 Act since it came.

having regard to the terms of the complaints against BP itself. By contract between the parties and that date BP had received from

Darimoor Prison, Ex parte Seray-Wurie

prisoner had committed repeated offences equinst prison discipline it did not have to be shown that he had repeated the same offence. It was sufficient that he

was a persistent offender who had committed a variety of offences, Mr Justice Forbes held

wifences, Mr Justice Forbes held when refusing an application for judicial review by way of certiorari to quash a decision of the Board of Visitors of Dartmoor Prison made on August 24, 1981 on the ground, inter alia, at it had no power to adjudicate the offence charged.

The applicant in person; Mr

MR IUSTICE FORBES said

the applicant was serving a four-vear sentence for drug offences. that at the time he was charged,

ltis prison performance was appalling and he had managed to collect 249 days loss of remission

for a variety of offences.

Following a scuffle on August
17. 1981, the applicant was
charged with assaulting a fellow
prisoner. The matter came before
the prison governor who referred
it to the board of visitors under

Christopher Symons for the board of visitors.

Before Mr Justice Forbes [Judgment delivered February 4] in considering whether a

BP Exploration Co (Libya) Ltd the circumstances surrounding w Humi is making, the judge was wrong to order Humi to pay BP under the 1943 Act any principal sum at

was whether if the judge was right to order Hunt to pay the principal sums under the 1943 Act, he was wrong to order also the payment of interest on those sums, either at all or in any case from a date as early as June 14,

from a date as early as June 14, 1974.

The facts relevant to the appeal were that in December 1957, the Libyan government granted Hunt a concession, to explore for oil in, and extract any oil found from, a specified area of the Libyan desert, for a period of 50 years; and drilling for oil was required to be begun within three

In June 1960, Hunt, who did In June 1960, Hunt, who did not possess the resources and experience necessary to explore and develop the concession himself, concluded what was known in the oil industry as a "farm-in" agreement with BP, who did, It consisted of two documents — "the letter agree-ment" and "the operating agree-ment"

The main terms of the contract were, first, that Hunt was to assign to BP, subject to the Libyan government's consent, a half share in his concession.

Second, BP was to explore,

least because this appeared to have been the first contested case under the 1943 Act since it came into force.

The grounds of appeal to the as an act of political retaliation. The first important one was that having regard to the terms of the complaints and not on account of any having regard to the terms of the complaints are EP into I.

where a prisoner was charged with any "serious or repeated offences against discipline" for which the governor's powers of punishment seemed insufficient, the governor could refer the charge to the board of visitors.

The applicant contended that

The applicant contended that the offence with which he was charged was neither serious nor repeated in that he had never been convicted of an offence of assault, and accordingly the governor had acted ultra vires in referring it to the board of visitors.

Repeated offences can

be different

Regina v Board of Visitors 1964 No 388) which stated that

cession.

Both BP and Hunt obtained compensation from the Libyan government for the expropriation of their respective shares in the concession, but the amount was unrealistically low in each case.

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It was not now in dispute that the farm-in agreement of July 1960, was frustrated by the Libyan government's expropriation of BP's half share in the concession. It followed, since the agreement was governed by English law, that the rights and liabilities of the parties following such frustration depended on the application of the relevant provisions and in particular rection I and section 2(3) of the 1943 Act to the particular circumstances of the case.

The main point for Hunt was that, having regard to the express

that, having regard to the express terms of the contract, and the surrounding-circumstances to the making of it, the judge was wrong to order Hunt to pay to BP any principal sums under section I of the Act at all.

The argument for Hunt was that on the true construction of the Contract. the contract, it was the intention

the contract, it was the intention of the parties when the contract was made in 1960 that Hunt should be relieved of, and BP saddled with, both the physical risk of failure of the combined adventure, and also with the political risk of failure which in fact materialized, namely, the risk of BP's half share being expropriated by the Libyan

There were also legal submissions based on the Act against the order made by the judge and it was said that the intention of the parties with regard to the incidence of risks, whether physical or political, led irresistibly to the conclusion that it would not be just for the court to order the recovery of any sum by the party who had conferred a benefit, namely BP, from the other party who had received such benefit, namely, Hunt.

That argument had a fatal

That argument had a fatal defect in it, namely, that there was nothing in the terms of the contract between the parties, or was nothing in the terms or the contract between the parties, or in the circumstances surrounding the making of it as found by the judge, to indicate, either expressly or by necessary implication, that the parties, when they made the contract in 1960, bad in contemplation political risks, such as the expropriation of the concession in whole or in part by the Libyan government which would operate to frustrate the contract, or that, baving had such risks in contemplation, they included in the contract any provision which, expressly or by necessary implication, was to take effect in the event of such risks materializing.

His Lordship could not read that clause of the letter agreement, or section of the operating agreement, as giving any such indication so as to bring the case within section 2030 of the Act.

indication so as to bring the case within section 2(3) of the Act, with those provisions to order than to make any payment to BP in respect of the benefits received by him from BP prior to

Hunt, by way of reimbursement in respect of benefits conferred on him by BP prior to the concession coming on stream, 33,101,811 barrels of oil.

On June 11, 1973, the Libyan government expropriated Hunt's half share of the concession also. Between December 7, 1971 when BP's half share was expropriated, and June 11, 1973, when Hunt's half share suffered the same fate, Hunt had obtained 74 million barrels of oil from the concession.

Both BP and Hunt obtained Commandation for the rejected.

On the second question

Hunt must be rejected.

On the second question whether the judge was right to order the payment of interest on the principal sums awarded under the 1943 Act at all, and if so whether he was right to order such interest to run from a date as early as June 14, 1974, the court's power to order the payment of interest on principal sums was conferred by section 3(1) of the Law Reform (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1934. It was submitted for Hunt that sums recoverable under the 1943 Act were of a very special character indeed, and did not come within the expression "any debt or damages" as used in section 3(1) of the 1934 Act.

His Lordship did not accept

His Lordship did not accept that submission. The words "any debt or damages," in their context, were very wide, so that they covered any sum of money recoverable by one party from another, either at common law or in emitter or moder a statute of in equity or under a statute of the kind here concerned. Accord-ingly the judge had power to order the payment of interest on the principal sums awarded by him.

him.

As to the date from which interest was ordered to run, the argument for Hunt was that as he could not know the amounts of principal recoverable until they had been assessed by the trial judge, the judge should not have awarded interest from any date earlier than June 30, 1978, the date on which he delivered his first and main judgment. his first and main judgment.

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His Lordship could not accept that either. The date on which BP's cause of action arose was December 7, 1971, when the contract between the parties was frustrated by the expropriation. Under section 3(1) of the 1934 Act, the judge had power to award interest on the principal sums he swarded from any such date, from December 7, 1971, onwards, as he in the exercise of his judicial descretion considered just.

just.
The reason why be decided on June 14, 1974, was that on his indings of fact it was on that date that Hunt first became fully aware of BP's intention to bring a claim against him. That was a

a claim against birn. That was a proper reason.

It was in his Lordship's view clear that there could not be any general rule that, whenever the amount of any debt or damages payable by one party to an action to the other could not be ascertained until judgment was given, the court should never, in the exercise of its discretion, award interest from a date earlier than the date of such judgment.

To entire such a rule would be

To apply such a role would be plainly inconsistent with the express terms of section 3(1) and in many cases, for instance in the case of a claim in a quantum meruit, work serious injustice on a successful plainiff. On that point too the case for Hunt

Lord Wilberforce, Lord Diplock, Lord Keith and Lord Scarman agreed. Solicitors: Theodore Goddard & Co; Linklaters & Paines.

When judicial review is better than writ

Irlam Brick Co Ltd v Warrington Borough Council Before Mr Justice Woolf

[Judgment delivered February 3] proceedings should be brought question. In 1977 a survey by way of judicial review under pursuant to the preparation of Order 53 of the Rules of the Supreme Court rather than by the Judicial Pauling an ecological significance and as being worthy of Queen's Bench Division. His Lordship refused to grant declarations sought by the plaintiffs, the Irlam Brick Co Ltd, against the defendants, Warrington Borough Council, that planning pursuant to the condition re-

However, the point of the rule was that there might come a time when the governor regarded his powers of punishment inadequate. That could be because the offence was a serious one or because the prison record of the prisoner showed that he had committed repeated offences against prison discipline and the time had come for a more sharp time had come for a more sharp served by the council.

time had come for a more snarp punishment.

Although the applicant had never been convicted of an offence involving assault, the governor took the view that a prisoner with 249 days loss of remission was one of the cases where his powers of punishment were insufficient. It could not be said that the governor was acting said that the governor was acting unfairly and the application was

rule 51(2) of the Prison Rules (SI Solicitor: Treasury Solicitor.

that such working be filled in within a reasonable time, and reserved to the planning authority the right to reconsider their approval if reinstatement had not occurred within 10 years of the working having ceased.

In 1964 the last clay was extracted from the land in question. In 1977 a survey pursuant to the preparation of

When declarations were sought against the conduct of a public body, so that persons beyond the immediate parties were affected, proceedings should be brought by way of judicial review under Order 53 of the Rules of the Supreme Court rather than by writ, Mr Justice Woolf said in the Oreen's Bench Division. His

the Irlam Brick Co Ltd, against the defendants. Watrington Borough Council, that planning notices were invalid and said that in construing planning conditions the whole document, including the reasons for those conditions, had to be examined. Sir Derek Walker-Smith, QC and Mr A. J. C. Hogger for the plaintiffs; Mr Nigel MacLeod. QC, and Mr C. Lockhart-Mummery for the defendants.

MP. TISTUCK WOOLE said that the council was entitled to serve such a notice. The condition was intended to vermit the council of the condition was intended to vermit the council of the condition was intended to vermit the council of the condition was intended to vermit the council of the council of the condition was intended to vermit the council of the council of the condition was intended to vermit the council of the condition was intended to vermit the council of the condition was intended to vermit the council of the condition was intended to vermit the council of the condition of MR JUSTICE WOOLF said that

the Irlam Brick Co, who had proceeded by writ, were seeking declarations relating to planning permission granted by the predecessors of Warrington Borough Council and to notices

His Lordship said that simply because a dispute of fact was involved did not mean that the Order 53 procedure was not suitable. There were safeguards whereby the court could order discovery or cross-examination if it was in the interests of justice

to do so.

The Order 53 procedure led to more judicious disposal of the case, it saved costs, and it had the safeguard that from the time of the application for leave to bring the proceedings until their conclusion, they were under the conclusion, they were under the council's purpose in imposing the condition was to ensure that the

Applications to be prompt

Mr Justice Walton pointed out in the Chancery Division on February 4 that applications must be made promptly after a chancery master's order has been perfected.

HIS LORDSHIP, on hearing a motion by the plaintiff for an order to set aside the order of Master Heward of October 6, 1981 that the costs of the

Boyle and Others v Gooch and plaintiffs and defendents should come out of the estate of the ed and in due course of deceased and in due course of administration, and that, in lieu, the defendants should pay all costs, drew the attention of counsel to paragraph 20/11/4 "Orders in Chambers" being a note to Order 20 rule 11 "Amendment of judgment and orders" of the Rules of the Supreme Court. The normal time for the application was 14 days. Accordingly his Lordship dismissed the motion with costs.

Indian tour exposes England's frailty for Australia next winter

The saddest fact about England's unrewarding visit to India during the past three months has been that so many problems still need to be resolved before next winter's Australian tour.

winter's Australian tour.
Seven or eight of Fletcher's
side could have no part to play
in defending the Askes. Eng-land's bowing is a particular
worry. This aspect far transcends
the 1—0 defeat by India in the
Test series, disappointing though
whe was

this was.
England failed in the Test series because of one abject batting performance that cost them the first Test match in Bombay. Those two fatal hours that England's second innings lasted set the tone for the rest of these the tone for the rest of the tour. India then sat on their lead for the remaining five matches, which was not too hard to do on over-prepared pitches which left the bowlers impocuous. Remembering, also, the lament-

reached 13 an hour, it is possible that this may be tranked the dullest series since the administrators, in their rapacity for profit, decreed that six Tests rather than five should become the norm. Fortunately, there twere several

Fortunately, there twere several moments of good cricket during the first four days of each successive draw and the matches were not quite as dreadful to watch as they must have been to follow at long range.

None of this, however, should disguise the harsh, reality that lindia proved themselves the better team. In their last four home series since 1978-79, India have now heaten West Indies, Australia, Pokistan and England. They still lack a truly fast bowler, but otherwise are; remarkably well-equipped in all facets—batting down to No 10 not the least of them.

Mezzwhile, it is a moot point

least of them.

Measswhile, it is a moot point whether England would have been better served on this tour in several cases by younger players. There were several players in India this, winter whose best achievements lay behind them rather than ahead.

It was predictable that Fletcher, recalled after a five-year gap, should lean towards experience. However, there is ninch less time for the considerable rebuilding that has to be done this summer by Peter May, the low chairman of selectors, and his colleagues.

In the absence of comenders of selectors, and his colleagues. In the absence of comenders from the younger school, Fletcher was a sound choice for the captaincy and he certainly deserves to retain the post for the first half of the coming summer. He may yet take England to Australia, but in the continued absence of England captaincy material among the county captains, England must think seriously about grooming one of the established England players for the role. If this were done, I think Gooch would be the front runner. Were Eartlay or Cook to justify a place in the England team it might be a different matter.

matter. Emburey's contribution was less Fletcher's own form, and close significant than had been hoped.

batsmen. There must now be doubts after this tour whether Dilley is going to develop. Allost usually bowled the best line but his assets were only belatedly recognized by the tour selectors. Also he was unfortunate with dropped catches at Madras and he missed the last Test because of sickness. Underwood could not always contain batsmen on perfect wickets with his old mastery and Emburey's contribution was less

could not be criticized and be handled the side ably in the field; he might have been a

overcame a wretched start and played some telling innings, and Tavaré more than continued the field; he might have been a shade more assertive off it. It was also a pity that Fletcher seemed less able than most to accept the sundry umpiring disappointments the team encountered. The main criticism that could be made of Fletcher was that he tended to hold to prescribed positions to a long and that he tended to note to pre-conceived notions too long and that at times he was too cautious. It was a trait reflected by the sides packed with batting that England often chose, his reluct-ance to use his slow bowlers, and once or twice in the timing of declarations.

played some telling innings, and Tavaré more than continued the promising start he made against Australia. It will be interesting to see if Tavarè is asked by England to continue as an opening batsman. Gooch and Tavarè have all the necessary contrast as an opening pair and with Allan Lamb now qualified for England, there are almost too many candidates for Englands No 3, 4 and 5 positions.

Gower duifully got his head down through a really sizable score eluded him. Gatting had a successful tour in every respect, and his figures on the big occasions fall to reflect the circumstances in which he usually batted. Cook began the tour well but the kinerary allowed him few chauces later. England were also well served by the wicketkeepers. Only Botham remains to be mentioned. The extent to which England continue to rely on his efforts with both bat and ball was almost frightening. His commitment and capacity for hard work were never missing. As a batsman he has domed a new cloak of responsibility and once or twice in the timing of declarations.

Fletcher's original beliefs that speed and seam would decide the series were proved wrong, partly due to the lifeless pitches and partly because those chosen to do the work were not good enough at this stage of their careers. Willis ran in with all his old freuzied determination, but he bowled too many balls that could be left alone. Lever only rarely could find his ability to bring the ball back into the batsmen.

There must now be doubts batsman he has donned a new cloak of responsibility and returns home an even better player than when he left.

player than when he left.

Finally, a word shout umpiring. I believe England were wrong to make an issue about the umpiring standards. There was a suspicion of arrogance and some England players failed to acknowledge the errent toris had acknowledge the extent India had often outplayed them. Their attitude to the umpiriog did not

Something to savour for vultures and Kapil

From Richard Streeton Kanpur, Feb 4

A century by Kapil Dev in \$1 balls, one of the tail dozen or so fastest in Test match history, made the final day of the sixth Test eminently more watchable here than was expected. There was, of course, no pressure on Kapil Dev but England rightly pald him the respect of bowling and fielding with full commit-

ment.

It was an innings marked by marvellous power and clean striking of the ball and could also be regarded as a final, celebratory salvo as India's 1—0 victory was inked over in the record books. It was first entered in pencil last December in Bombay and has been inevitable ever since.

bay and has been inevitable ever since.

A full house, of some 50,000, was present to enjoy the closing rites as England were officially baulked of success in a Test rubber for the fourth time in their last five tours to this country. For a man who never misses the chance to stress that he is a bowler and that batting merely goes with the job, Kapil Dev punished everything with a certainty and freedom from error that was remarkable.

He reached 100 with a six and 14 fours and did not give a

14 fours and did not give a Morning fog prevented play before funch and swelled the total time lost in this game to almost 10 hours. When play did start, aggressive bowling by Willis ensured that the cricket was not as dead as it might have seemed to a flock of vultures hovering not far above England had a new ball straightaway—though it only lasted five overs before having to be changed for another—and Walis, typically, ppt his heart and soul into its use. Viswanath square-cut the day's first ball for and soul into its use. Viswanath square-cut the day's first ball for four, gave cover point a catch from the third, attempting the same stroke; then Malhotra was leg-before to the sixth. When Willis had Shasri caught behind, his first 21 balls had brought him three for seven.

But Yashpal Sharma, who stayed in all for three hours, was not to be moved and kapal Dev, baving shaken off the effects of a blow on the left cibow from Willis, soon began to hit forcefully.

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Cautious Australian selectors belie a myth

From John Woodcock Cricket Correspondent

Adelaide, Feb 4

Australian batting

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His Lordship held that the council was entitled to serve such a notice. The condition was intended to permit the council to prevent further tipping, and that did not derogate from rights under permission previously

By Hilary Cawthorne

imagination.

The start of the international

in healthy shape. Standards at club and national level have im-

proved, and international honours

are not beyond the bounds of

wealth championships in Barn-

staple, and five at each weapon for the world championships in Rome.

Linda Martin will be defending her title this weekend at the de Beaumont competition in London,

when her strongest opposition will come from the Franch. Also competing will be Liz Thurtey, the British champion, and the up and coming Fiona McIntosh and Kim Cecil, who both gained their

Aim Cecu, who both gained their international colours last season. British placings in this even will be considered when selecting the squads for forthcoming inter-national events in Goppingen, Turin, Paris and Como.

Leading the men foilists at the Leon Paul home international, to be held next weekend in London,

season sees the sport in Britain

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Harper, and Nick Bell, who work
and train in Paris and will also

under permission previously granted without compensation.

In construing such a condition, one must have regard to the document granting the permission as a whole, and that extended also to the reasons for such conditions which the planning authority were required by statute to state. They could be looked at as an aid to construct. looked at as an aid to construc-tion, but that did not elevate them to conditions themselves, International honours not beyond our imagination

bring the proceedings until their conclusion, they were under the supervision of a judge.

In this case, the plaintiff contended that the actions of the council which were purportedly under a condition contained in planning permission granted on February 5, 1948 for the excavation of clay, were unlawful by reason either that the condition was invalid, or that it had been misinterpreted by the council.

Solicitors: Ashurst Morris

council.

The condition required that the plaintiff made the workings & Co, Manchester; Sharpe, available as a tip when the Pritchard & Co for Mr H. G. extraction of clay had ceased, Cartwright, Warrington.

The epee team, the best placed Each of the four weaponsof our four squads in the world rankings, will shortly be off to Paris, Legnano, Berne and Heidenheim, as well as competing in Britain's only A grade event, the Martini competition in London men's foil, ladies' foil, epée and sabre (the last two for men only)

has chosen a training squad

from which the national teams
will be selected mext June: three
at each weapon for the Common-

23 who will be going to New brought back Bright, who has (strained groin) are all included. Realand next Wednesday to play seldom failed, when given the though Lilies is to have a medical three Test matches, three one-day chance, to show that he is not a tomorrow. As the Australian

Never believe iti when you are told that Australia's cricket selectors are the most progressiva in the business. For some years now they have shown a marked reluctance to blood new players. There was further evidence of this here today when they announced the internationals and five other genuine Test cricketer. When faced with a straight choice between Pescoe, who is 31, and choosing a young batsman such as Ritchie of Queensland or Boon of they have stown a marked reluctance to blood new players. There was further evidence of this here today when they announced the internationals and five other genuine Test cricketer. When faced with a straight choice between Pescoe, who is 31, and they have stayed with a straight choice between Pescoe, who is 31, and they have stayed with a straight choice of the post of the provide of the part of the provide of t

West Indies batting

Bowling

for the last month with torn liga-ments in a foot, is back. When Marsh needs a break Dyson will keep wicket. Australia's century-maker Australia's century-maker at The Ovel last summer, the 22-year-old Dirk Weltham, has been dropped even from the New South Weles team. Of the 13 chosen, seven are over \$1, ixcluding four of the bowlers. For what it matters any more, seven of the 13 were with World Series Chicken.

when stiffing speculation Chappel retains the captaincy. Hughes con

tinues as vice-captain abead of Marsh. Alderman, out of action

SQUAD; G Chappell (Captain), K Hughes (vire-captain); T Alderman, A Rorder, R Bright, J Dyson, B Laired, D Lillee, R Marsh L Pascoa, J Thomson, R Service, Laired, R Marsh L Pascoa, J Thomson, R Service, R Laired, R L

West Indian yearning

Sydney, Feb 4.—The West Indian cricketers, want to return to Australia before the planned 1987 tour, Steve Camacho, their manager, said today. The West Indies retained the Sir Frank Worrell troophy brich a thrilling five-wicket win against Australia in the third Test in Adelaide on Wednesday to de the series 1—1.

Clive I lond #8 canter wino.

In the third Test in Adelaide on Wednesday to de the series 1—1.

Clive Lloyd, the captain, who is now 37 and a veteran of 85 Tests, would almost certainly have been muking his last Australian appearance under the present tour schedule:

One of the most senior players In the game, Lloyd has been pre-

Bruniges, Close behind will be Pierre

be compeding for a place in the British team. Further inter-national events this season will

take place in Paris, Bonn and

All eyes will be on Steve Paul,

in the hope that he will be able to retain his title in the face of

Australia lead in youth series Devonport, Australia.—By beating Pakistan by 66 runs Australia took a 1—0 lead in an under-19 international series in Tasmania. The teams are playing two limited-over matches of 50 overs a side. SCORES: Australia 196 (C Bradley 63) in 50 overs. Pakistan 130 in 59.1 overs.

Knight captain again Roger Knight has been reelected captain of Surrey County Cricket Club for the 1982 season. This will be his fifth season in charge

England in final with Australia

Christchurch, Feb 4.—England and Australia, the defending champions, who will met in the final of the women's World Cupon Sunday, both recorded victories as the qualifying matches continued here today.

ENGLAND: 242 for 4 tS Goarsen S. R Film 61 not out, 60 overs, mernational Xt; 129 for 7 tL Thomas 561, 60 overs.

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Alpe d'Hue of Good - 5 Good - 5 Good - 6 Good strong opposition. Neil Mallett and Steve Roose, fresh from their Denth Commits of Courchevel of success in the A grade Budapest event last mouth, are also ex-pected to do well. At sabre, the only weapon not controlled by electronics, At sabre, the only weapon not controlled by electronics, (although this is likely to change in the near future) the squad will be travelling to Budapest, Hanover, Padna, New York and possibly Warsaw.

Always a difficult weapon to succeed with because of scoring difficulties, it is hoped to see some good international results this season from Jim Philbin, Brinsh Sabre champion, Mark Slade and Richard Cohen,

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its course

and Davies

takes field

to face France at Cardiff, tomorrow were allayed yesserday. Davies, aged 25, who badly bridsed a thigh in the 20-12 defeat by Ireland last month, was able to train fully for the first time at Bridgend, and afterwards was declared fit.

Davies said. "I felt very down on Monday when I couldn't take part in the squad session, but I've been swimming and having massage every day this week-and mother nature seems, to have done the trick."

Training: "Isterday included a full scala mi"th. On two occasions Davies switched to the funior side for a showt period to allow Malcolm Dacey the chance, to team half, Terry, Holmes, Dacey, the Swan-

Terry Holmes Dacey the Swan-sea utility back, would probably have won his first cap if Davies

Davies added: "I hope there is a backlash from the Irish game. I shouldn't need to say much to the other players everybody knows they didn't play particularly well.

England call on Bond to face Irish once again

By Peter West Rugby. Correspondent England's preparations for the rish international at Twickenham conorrow, already set back by till Beaumont's absence, suffered another disappointment yesterday when Paul Dodge withdrew from the side with a pulled hamstring sustained while he was training with the national squad at St Mary's College, Strawberry Hill.

The Laurachien contre Tony Mary's College, Strawberry Hill.

The Lancashire centre, Tony Bond, was at once summoned to with Clive Woodward in the centre join the party and will link up to win his sixth cap. It will be almost two years to the day sluce he won his last, against the same opposition on the same ground, and was carried off on a stretcher with a broken leg. Dodge's injury is a recurrence of the one that kept him out of the Midlands XV against the Wallables in October. kept him out of the Midlands XV against the Wallabies in October. A. decision whether Peter Wheeler will be fit to play has been deferred until this morning. England's hooker had a recurrence of an old back injury when training with the England squad at Stourbridge last Monday, and was in considerable pain the following day when he gave himself only a 50-50 chance of playing. But his cause looked much more hopeful yesterday when he took part in all the training activities except serious scrummaging. part in all the training activities except serious scrummaging.

Andy Simpson, England's number two booker this season and last, would seem the logical choice for a first cap if wheeler cannot play. The Gloricester hooker and captain, Steve Mills, won two caps in Argentina last summer, and



Joker at work: England's new captain, Smith, puts a smile on the face of the new cap. Syddall (right) at squad training yesterday. Winterbottom and Blakeway share the joke.

was added to the squad yesterday.

It seemed that Bond's grevious injury at Twickenham in 1980, might end his rugby career. But this popular, immensely determined character, had other ideas, and he now has the reward for the pain, the frustration, and the waiting. He won his first cap against New Zealand in 1978, England had plans for Dodge. England had plans for Dodge, with his left foot, to kick at goal from the right-hand side of the posts, Huw Davies from the left,

was added to the squad yesterday, whether to give Davies all the

on one side.

Although he is wedded to a fluid, expansive game, the England coach, Mike Davis, admits that the return of Phil Blakeway and John Scott, the replacement of Beaumont by Jim Syddall and that of Dodge by Bond implies a settling in period for Smith's side: "We've got to blend some front characters pogether again, We've had some setbacks, and we

firm control. It's more than ever irm control. It's more than ever important against the Irish."
Davis said that Scott was happy to accept the challenge of pack leadership: "I accept that he has only played two marches, but he's such a competitive animal—he'll play his normal Saturday game.

Of Rond's repure he said. Saturday game

Of Bond's return, he said:
"People think of Tony as a crash
banger who will give confidence
to everybody around him. He's
not as fluent a player as Dodge,
but be fits very nicely into his
county's expansive game,

larly well.

The Ireland left wing, Moss. Firm, is fit to play against England is the passed a stiff fitness test, watched by the chairman of selectors, Kevin Flynn, and the team coach. Tom Klechan, in Dublin yesterday, Finn said: "Naturally I am delighted. I was always a little worried that something might go wrong, although I had two training sessions during the week." I reland will have another light training session today at St Pauls School. Hammersmith.

Nature takes Canadian downhillers on the up

Erom Dudley Doust

Schladming Feb-4

All season the Canadian team world has felt that Gerry Sorensen, a sturdy British Columbian, was the fastists titl on two sids but their cosch. Cartie Chapman, was slightly uneasy this morning when he inspected the women's drawning uneasy the fapture world ski champioushits. The inout world ski champioushits and in a flood of tears.

Too many medicare skiers might be in with a chabte.

"Ski it as straight as you can, he fold bils. Sorensen and the other three Canadian downhillers." You're going to have to squeeze the speed out of this track.

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explained that the ones are were today were 10 lengths faster than any of the other seven tried, on a 12 second test run. Only a fortnight ago, she had used them all down an alpha test run.

Figures fail to add up for Britain

race was over even before the pushed off. The three leaders were gathered on the winners podium, being photographed and presented their awards when whoosh

own an alpha test run.

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To Chapmar, she looked fine. "Gerry just stays high and lumbers along", he said. "You know, to win you don't have to seems an alpha test, run.

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Football

Enfield hope Merthyr fans | Leeds to show will be watching the rugby

By Paul Newman
Enfedd, one of non-League
football's most successful clubs,
are hoping this season to fill the
most glaring gap in their trophy
cupboard. The north London
cub, who have recently built a
reputation as FA Cup glantkillers, pwice won the old
Amateur Cup but have never
gone beyond the amai-finals of
the compenions which succeeded
it, the FA Trophy.

Tomorrow they kayel to

Tomogrow they gravel to errory Tydfil in the second and, beyond which they have ogressed once in the last five progressed once in the last live seasons. Merrityr occupy only a mid-table position in the mid-land division of the Southern League, but their opponents, second in the Alliance Fremler League, are taking no chances.

Eddie McCluskey, Enfield's manager end westernise. "We've went to see them myself on Monday, when they drew 0—0 at home to Bridgend. They look as though they could be quite formidable on their own ground. They're quite a skillful side who



suits us. We'il play the way we do in all our games—attack.

"It will be difficult, but we're confident enough. Besides, I'm hoping all Merthy's supporters will be down at Cardiff watching the rugby international!"

Just like the FA Cup, the Trophy has ties that can capture the public's imagination. One such match tomorrow is the visit of Bishop Anckland, once the most famous smateur club in the land, to Chorley, the Cheshire County League leaders. Such is the drawing power of Bishop Auckland's name that up to 2,000 people are expected at Victory Park.



the door to Greenhoff

Brian Greenhoff, Leeds United's 1350,000 signing from Manchester United, in 1979, has joined ten other players on the club's transfer list. Greenhoff has been made available along with Paul Hart. Tretor Cherry, Brian Flynn and seven reserves. Allan Clarke, the Leeds manager, has been told by his board that he must sell players to raise more than fim needed for a striker and a midfield player. Leeds have refused a transfer request from Peter Barnes but are prepared to listen to offers for the England winger, who loined them for 1950,000 from West Bromwich Albion at the start of the season.

start of the season.

Harr and Cherry have been on
the list for two mouths while
Flynn turned down a more to
Stoke City last mouth after the
clubs had agreed a fee of
6300,000. Flynn, the Wales midfield player, may return to his
home country by joining Swansea City, who have shown an
interest.

[] Wrexham, second division strugglers, have been hit by an injury crisis with six players now doubtful for Saforday's game at. Norwich. The latest casualty is Weish international defender, Joev Jones, who has badly bruised feet. Ian Edwards, Mick Vinter, Steve Buxton, Frank Carrodus and Wayne Cegleiski, are already having daily treatment.

Brian Clough, still has confidence Brian Clough, still has confidence the firm striker Justin Fashanu, even though he has scored only three goals in 20 games since his transfer from Norwich. "He is

When Victor Charles discovered karate, his first search was over

A champion waits for recognition

Bristol City to sue former manager over bills

Bristol City, who were saved from liquidation yesterday, are attempting to sue their, former manager Bob Houghton over hotel and restaurant bills totalling in excess of £5,000.

excess of £5,000.

Archie Gooch, who has banded over chairmanship of the waird division club to Leslie Kew, a 46-year-old builder, said: "We ard taking legal action.

For several months after taking over Bristol Cay in October 1980, Mr Houghton lived with his bride at the Dragouara hotel, Bristol. They claim the club owe them £4,500.

Three young professionals. Jon

them £4,500.

Three young professionals, Joa Economon, 20, and 18-year-olds Wayne Bray and Steve Thompson are set to make their City debuts in midfield at home to the third division leaders, Fulham, tomorrow. Their likely promoted comes in the wake of the Ashton Gate eight whose acceptance of a £100,000 pay-off offer to leave the club, saved it from closure.

Getty Sweeney, one of the

Gerry Sweeney, one of the eight, plans to keep himself At by playing for the Somerset village team, Blackwell United-The departures and the broken jaw suffered by Terry Boyle in last week's 1—1 draw at Newport left the arting manager. Roy Hodgson, with the task of fielding a fresh central defence, virtually an emirely changed midfield and

The first task of the four man caretaker board, appointed to run the club until the launch of a new £1 million there issue, is to persuade creditors owed more than £500,000 to freeze their Iransfer from Norwich. He is than 1500,000 o freeze their having a lean time, but I know debts until then.

It can get him scoring goals again. City may have been reprieved, but Darlington's striggle goes on myself to sort out." Mr Clough Coffee mornings, jumble sales, a said.

organized in response to the club chalman Lesile Moore's threat that the club will fold in six weeks unless £50,000 is raised. the British and Finnish placings last year. Since each position in the figures section in worth six tenths of a point in the final computation. Miss Cottrill has surrendered 1.2 points to Miss Kristofics Binder, who itnished third in last year's world championship. Darlington are £100,000 in the red; losing £1,000 a week; have £45,000 werth of model bills; are expecting a £5,000 VAT bill any day; and kneguish 15th in the fourth division.

the fourth division.

"The public's response has been terdific, but it is a pity we had to say we were facing closure before they gave us their support." Mr Moore said. "Last season we firtished eighth in the division; out best performance, for years, with gates everaging 7,500. But this season, the average attendance has been only 1,600. Sunderland offered us a game and in the town it now seems that every street and every organization is doing something to help."

But Mr Moore reiterated his warning that the club would collapse in, mid-March unless the money was raised.

lapse in mid-March imless the money was raised.
"We would obviously try to struggle on until the end of the season and then leave the league," he said. "As it is even if, we get the money we will probably have to disband our second tram.

"But sithough our manager: Billy Elliott has cut expenses to a midmam, our fine performance: last season landed us in the sonpsome of the players obviously wanted a better contract. The manager had a very hard time of it, but the players saw reason in the end.

Darlington has only a small population, about 80,000 but we should get gates of 3,530."

Wednesday's results

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Squash rackets

Argentine GP falls victim to drivers' row

Motor racing

Euence Aires; Feb . The
Argentine Grand Frix, scheduled
to take place on March 7, has
been postponed by the organizers
berause of Grivers which erupted
last mouth.

Drivers were suspended from
world championishly races immediately after the South African
Grand Prix in a dispute over their
refusal to sign a new super
licence proposed by the sport's
governing body. FISA The
divers had earlier game on strike
over FISA's demand that they
should sign.

The Argentine Automobile Club
gaid yesterday they had suspended

ne of the players obviously said yesterday they had suspended the race and asked FISA for a new date larer in the year because and.

Now it's up to the public.

Now it's up to the public. that was uncertain. It has also been suggested, however, that the cinb's own financial worries may have contributed to the decision. The ansengtion of the race could jeopardize the Brazilian Grand Prix, scheduled for March 11 in Edo de Janeiro. Argentine and Brazilian promoters of the races traditionally there costs of transporting the vehicles and teams. Agencies. John Brumsden writes: Although, acording to the organizers, the Argentine Grand Prix has only been postponed, it will be, virtually impossible to agree an alternative date in the wings.

At present, the Brazilian Grand Prix is still to go abead and as it falls two weeks before the race at Long Beach, California, it will be possible to spread pransportation costs to some extent. Although the majority of the drivers lines have been paid by their respective teams (they are responsible if the drivers themselves fall to pay them) the conflict is far from resolved.

the corswain, Bernstein. Cambridge's experienced barsmes are tocked into the bows of the boar, Brice and Biss rowed for the Cambridge reserve crew, Goldle, against Isis, and the president.

Table tennis.

The champion looks to her

Dat for success

From a Special Correspondent

[hill Hammersley's defence of
her European top-12 title starting
roday in Names, France, and
continuing until Sunday, takes on
a new dimension with her sudden
adoption of the controversal but
with which lohn tillton became
European champion the season
hefore last.

Hilton's hat, which combines a
fast rubbler with a dead one, has
been the subject of speculation
that there might be legislation to
bun or restrict it. Mrs Hammersley hopes her hat can help create
the improvement necessary if
she is to hang on to her title
igning the formidable challenge
of Bentine Vriceekcop, the Duck
woman who is Europe's No. 1
ranking player.

Mrs Hammersley, aged 20, has
had difficulty maintaining full
motivation this scaton; but in her
only tournament so far with the
new hat, the German Open, she
sained fevence against Kirsten
Kruger, the player who beat her
in the European Superleague near
the start of the scagon.

Eughand's other contender, Desmoad Douglas, who makes ho

the start of the scason.

England's other contender, Desmond Douglas, who makes no secret of his great desire to succeed Hilton as European champion in April, will have Hilton helping him in his torust. The Lancastrian, who has slumped below 12th, pisce in the European nathings, does not therefore quality, but has taken over as temporary England captain in pisce of the dreell Peter Simpson.

evoked a pang of yearning for the days of Irina Rodnina and, before them, the Protopopovs. Their Russian compatriots, Irina Vorobleva and Igor Lisovski, suf-fered a series of embarrassing setbacks and surrendered their

mg, regardless of what may happen in tomorrow's chort programme.

Karen Wood, Britain's second competitor, was twelfth Even allowing for her known fallibility in the figures, this too was a disappointment.

Yet a filled setback was the discovery this morning that the second British dance couple, Karen Barber and Nicholas Slater had finished fifth rather than fourth in the computery section. Somebody had omitted to feed the results of the third dance into the computer system.

The mistake had the further effect of requiring a new draw for tomorrow night's free dance, with the result that Jayne Torvill and Christophero Dean, champions of Britain, Europe and the social, now skate last of all rather than first of the final group with four couples, to follow. This, should confer a tactical advantage but 19,000.

Five freshmen included in surprise Cambridge crew By Jim Railton was in last year's losing Boat The Cambridge University Boat Race crew.

The Cambridge University Boat

Race crew was amounced yesterday by Ladbrokes, the sponsors.
The amouncement comes surprisingly enriv with the race on the light side, averaging just under 12st 13th, ingly enriv with the race on the list shows three men under 12 come-stroke Hartis, Pearson and Knight.

Stephens made a final decision, its Sunday and posted the list of last sunday and posted the list of cambridge will be possible over names by second class post to laste by surprise, too But field managing director. Gerald Creen, was able to add. In my will race the British lights. Cambridge have never had a better chance to the live years we have sponsored the Boat Race benting yesterday with Cambridge have never had a better chance to the live years with Cambridge have never had a better chance to the live years with Cambridge have never had a better chance to the live years with Cambridge with Cambridge with Cambridge of the Boat Race benting yesterday with Cambridge of the list of Cambridge of the last to the last of th

Celebrities enjoy halcyon days before the Clambake

From John Ballantyne
Monterey, Peninsula
California, Feb 4

Jack Nicklaus was the popular
Javourite as he licked off after
his partner former President
Gerald Ford, handloop 12, on the
first nee as Cypress Point today,
in wenther more reminiscent of
the French Riviera in June
The Bing Crooby national proand, or the "Crosby Clambake"
as it is more commonly known
here, has had snow and hall,
wind and rain and mud and
sush, as haddicaps to good golf
in the pass and, indeed, has
thrived on its motorious reputation.

Even this week's golfing
gelebrities", who include former
Wimbledom champions Arthur
Ashe (15) and Bob Falkenburg
(5) (the latter playing at Pebble
Beach with Nick Faldo), Clint,
Eastwood (16) and Nathanial
Crosby the United States amateur
champion (scratch) have been
seen yarming over dimher tables
about "the bad old days"
Today on that halcyon spot a
family of seals slopped out on a
rock midway across the bay, old
daddy seal flat on his back being gently lifted to and down

by the oilly water; the ice plant
round the green looked beautiful
instead of treacherous, the hot
sinstead of treach

Laing Steps in and up

By Srikumar Sen man in town says. Laing will get his chance as soon as Jones has got his European title bout with former Brilish welfarweight changion, returns to fite Albert Hall, the scene of his minh round defeat at the hands of Cornelius Boza-Edwards, the colin Jones, on Thesday He former world junior lightweight meets Reg Ford, of Goyana, the changlon. He faces Arturo de man who put Drue Green out of Leon, from Tucson. Much business.

Laing, who steps in and steps to how well Boza-Edwards has recovered from his up as a replacement for Mannice suprise defeat by Rolando Rope, aims to brush Ford saide Navarette, of the Phillipines, for on his way to meeting Joines. It is challenges Carlos Hernandez, know I can bear Jones but the restest at the Albert Hall on March 17.

World Cup format changes

By Joyce Whitelead over by the Federation Interthe four-yearly women's world championship, which near when place in Kusis Lumpur from Tare top swelve seeded nations, on track record, will compete for the World Cup and the next twelve for the inter-continental twelve for the inter-continental bean extended to May 31. this 27, there will presumably be year and, because of the "take elimination matches."



Victor Charles (right), holder of 17 karate titles, with Finbar, his manager.

Involves enormous personal strug-gles and sacrifices, but if you do it in a non-televised sport, you He was born in St Lucia in 1954 and followed his parents to London when he was six, along with his two brothers.

Victor turns out to be the star of the evening.
Unfortunately he was unable to go on to the next round because of an injured foot. He competed while it was damaged, and in doing so made it worse. This imminent TV exposure has convinced finbar that his big brother needs professional management. "I see my role as relieving the pressure. My job is to block people". He could not remember how many offers he has turned down, but he did with his two brothers.

They're a catholic family, and Victor went to a good catholic secondary school in the East had, where he got a couple of "O" levels, but spent most of his time in sport. He was good at every game, but not quite brilliant at any. West Ham and Millwall gave him trials, but were not convinced, so he left school at 16 and became a welder for a wille, and then a tailor's he has turned down, but he did say yes to Huddersfield.

That was very big. We both went up there last weekead. It was an exhibition at their youth for a while and then a tailor's cutter. Then he got a job in an adventure playground, as an assistant play leader. He is a student at present,

Victor's success in his chosen sport has been remarkable. It is indeed a pity that his achievements have so far gone unnoticed. Winning any world I thought I'd join. It would burn erent, from snooker to tennis, off some sweat, give me some-

By the end of his first year. which use 1974, he was the Eritsh junior champion. He won more thies and was packed for the British squad for the world championships in Tokyo in 1977. championships in Tokyo in 1977.

"But I didn't get on the fuor. I was left out of the team. I was really sick. The winner was a Dutchman, so the next year I went to Holland for the Dutch open championships, and I beat him. The next year, I beat aim a, in. He said we can't go on meeting like this ..."

Today, Victor is the holder of I different rules. They include English, European and World championships.

He is not sure why it all sudchampionships.

He is not sure why it all suddenly clicked. One of the taungs he had never done as a boy was box. He is not an aggressive person, despite his powerful physique. For several years, he appears to have been a sportsman in search of a sport.

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"What I like about karate," says Victor, "Is that you can retailly disarm someone, without furning them, or even touching them That's what you get points for. That's the skill.

"Stone parts of the sport have had a bod name, all those macho kids trying to be Bruce Lee. Karate is like a big departmental sport. There's the arr karate department, weapons, basic movements, contact lighting. What I'm doing is sport large. "It's probably the sport's own fault that people don'; really understand it, but it's growing all the time." In 1961 there were 43,580, karate players compared with only 16,000 in 1977.

Victor's liat is dripping with cups and salvers and integrals. cup; and salvers and medals. I admired them all, but couldn't find his world prophy.

I gave that to my alum. She has it in her flat.

Hunter Davies

Yesterday's results INISH COP: First restored replay: Crus-fers 1. Huradown 1. Repelegation 1. Rep

Turf which have never before been brought before criminal

courts. But now as a result of this decision they will be crimes". Could the decision mean that trainers doping a horse of "pulling" it (concealing its true form) and then making a killing

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"Little Owl" affair highlights problems of beating bookmakers at the racing game

Punters gambling against the odds

recent "Little Owl affair" at Kempton Park — reflected in the rempton Park — rettected in the vast media coverage — was because, for once, those perennial beddies of the racing world, the bookmakers, came off worse and were seen to squeal like stuck pigs. In the releatless war between them and the punters there is never any doubt where public sympathy lies.

In the Kempton race Little

In the Kempton race Little Owl, last year's Cheltenham Gold Owl. last year's Cheltenham Gold Cup winner, was long odds on to beat his two rivals. Venture To Comac and Great Dean, but was pulled up halfway through the race by his owner-rider. Jim Wilson, because the bit had slipped through his mouth. The Rempton stewards "recorded" Wilson's explanation, which

Kempton stewards "recorded" Wilson's explanation, which meant that they neither accepted it nor rejected it and the case could be reopened at any time. The computer straight forecast (CSF) for Venture To Cognac and Great Dean paid 141-1 and bookmakers throughout the country were faced with enormous liabilities. They were recommended to withhold payment on the advice of BOLA (Betting Office Licensees' Association) who investigate what they consider suspicious circumstances on the bookmakers' behalf.

BOLA eventually decided that

makers' behalf.

BOLA eventually decided that bookmakers had no grounds for withholding payment (some of them paid before the decision). The fact was that they had simply been caught with the pants of their sharp suits down. Astute punters realized that if Little Owl fell (he had done so in his previous race) the other two, who started at 5-2 and 66-1, bad only to finish the course to provide a huge dividend.

huge dividend.

According to a BOLA spokesman what they are looking for when they advise bookmakers not to pay out in such cases is evidence of "a contrived coup, malpractice and an attempt to manupulate the odds". Tahat definition is a nebulous one and some say that bookmakers could avoid a heavy payout, at any time, simply by saying they smelt a rat. Gambling debts are not legally enforcable anyway.

It is not quite as simple as that. Apart from the fact that a bookmaker would lose all credibility if he refused to pay up without good reason, he would also be open to the ultimate

Kempton Park programme

Tote double 2.30 and 3.30. Treble 2.00, 3.00 and 4.00

1.30 FEBRUARY HURDLE (Div I: novices: £1,282: 2m) (17 runners)

9-4 Esal Condor, 11-4 Al Kuwoki, 9-2 Golden Elder, 6 La Jour Fortune, 8 Cassley, 10 New 1, 12 Widd, 20 others.

2.30 FARMILE CHASE (novice: handicap: £3.406; 3m) (6)

Kempton Park selections

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1.15 MAXTON HURDLE (Div I: novices: £589: 2m)

7-4 Scottish Dream, 11-4 The Cirtonian, 9-2 Master Blaster, 6-1 on Orber, 7 What-A-Case, 18 Armenos, 25-1 others.

1.45 MAKERSTOUN HURDLE (Selling handicap:

3 Tom Thorn, 7-2 Paddy-One-Row, 9-2 Kibcoy, 8 Quem Celemine, 7 Menalist, 8 Go Lightly, 12 That's Magle, 20 others.

2.15 RUTHERFORD CHASE (Handicap: £937: 2m

iyd) (8) 0310 DUSKY DUKE (CD) W A Stephenson 7-11-10 R Lamb

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9-4 Closm Court, 7-2 Polars Laddia, 8-2 Dusky Duke, 5 Percipient, 7 Even Melody, 12 Pampered Sovereign, 20 Supreme Sail, Spartan

2.45 MAXTON HURDLE (Div II: novices: £614: 2m)

SR MARCUS (D) W Reed 8-11-11 Mr T Reed 7
CAMSCRIME HELL C Bell 6-11-1 C Persion
DOJUMPOLA Storey 6-11-1 D Willamson
GUR POINT Derrys Smith 7-11-1 C T Tricker
RESHBAN Crump 6-11-1 C Harwins
ILEAM LORD O Bremnan 8-11-0 MB Brennen
NO MATCH Leadboller 6-11-1 Nolen
WITCHES KINGWE K Oliver 6-11-1 Mr T Dun
YORNEG SAGERT J Charlton 9-11-1 B Ademeon 7
BYCLOUCHBOY R Alian 5-11-0 Mr R Shiels 7
COLONEL ROSE GOLDRE 5-11-0 Mr R Shiels 7
COLONEL ROSE GOLDRE 5-11-0 A Stringer 4

£522: 2m) (12 runners)

By John Karter 1,30 Esai Condor, 2.0 The Herb, 2.30 Random Leg, 3.0 Roadhead, 3.30 Road To Mandalay, 4.0 Champagne Charlie.

O FEBRUARY HURDLE (Div I: novices: £1,282: 2m) (17
0-40/13 CASSLEY (D) (I. Merson) G Merson 8-11-5
AL KUWART (Shek Falad) E Winter 6-11-0
pp CITY LINK LAD (City Link Transport) D Wilson 6-11-0
0-0 CORBERSON (J Tucker) Mrs D Tucker 6-11-0
0 DEEPSUKSET (R Gurner) Mrs J Phinen 5-11-0
22 ESAL CONDOR (Esal Commodities) D Kent 8-11-0
24 GOLDEN EIDER (Inter 8 Newton) N Gasonice 7-11-0
4- LE JOUR FORTLINE (Miss L Deverait) R Arraysege 7-11-0
0 DISTRIPTIONE (Miss L Deverait) R Arraysege 7-11-0
0 MERRYFIELD LADY (Mrs J Skinner) C Read 5-11-0
0 NEARLY STRAKGHT DIA's I DE WIRDN Mrs E Kennerd 6-11-0
0 PHYSIGRAM (R KIA) R Kirb 5-11-0
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0 SWEET ENCHANTMENT (L Warnham) B Stevens 5-11-0
20-WINDLY Chamilter Ltt) M Masson 5-11-0
2-4 Esal Condor, 11-4 A Kuwark, 9-2 Golden Elder, 6 Le Jour Fortune, 8 (Esal Condor, 11-4 A Kuwark, 9-2 Golden Elder, 6 Le Jour Fortune, 8 (Esal Condor, 11-4 A Kuwark, 9-2 Golden Elder, 6 Le Jour Fortune, 8 (Esal Condor, 11-4 A Kuwark, 9-2 Golden Elder, 6 Le Jour Fortune, 8 (Esal Condor, 11-4 A Kuwark, 9-2 Golden Elder, 6 Le Jour Fortune, 8 (Esal Condor, 11-4 A Kuwark, 9-2 Golden Elder, 6 Le Jour Fortune, 8 (Esal Condor, 11-4 A Kuwark, 9-2 Golden Elder, 6 Le Jour Fortune, 8 (Esal Condor, 11-4 A Kuwark, 9-2 Golden Elder, 6 Le Jour Fortune, 8 (Esal Condor, 11-4 A Kuwark, 9-2 Golden Elder, 6 Le Jour Fortune, 8 (Esal Condor, 11-4 A Kuwark, 9-2 Golden Elder, 6 Le Jour Fortune, 8 (Esal Condor, 11-4 A Kuwark, 9-2 Golden Elder, 6 Le Jour Fortune, 8 (Esal Condor, 11-4 A Kuwark, 9-2 Golden Elder, 6 Le Jour Fortune, 8 (Esal Condor, 11-4 A Kuwark, 9-2 Golden Elder, 6 Le Jour Fortune, 8 (Esal Condor, 11-4 A Kuwark, 9-2 Golden Elder, 6 Le Jour Fortune, 8 (Esal Condor, 11-4 A Kuwark, 9-2 Golden Elder, 6 Le Jour Fortune, 8 (Esal Condor, 11-4 A Kuwark, 9-2 Golden Elder, 6 Le Jour Fortune, 8 (Esal Condor, 11-4 A Kuwark, 9-2 Golden Elder, 6 Le Jour Fortune, 8 (Esal Condor, 11-4 A Kuwark, 9-2 Golden Elder, 6 Le Jour Fortune, 8 (Esal

sanction — that of having his livihood taken away from him. A bookmaker must be a fit and proper person to hold a permit and it is open to anyone to object to the renewal of that permit each year.

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each year.

In the bookmaker-punter war the punter can only go so far to relieve the bookmaker of his "hard-earned" cash.

There have been many celebrated and ingenious cases of overstepping the mark. For example in 1898, in the "Trodmore" affair, a syndicate persuaded the editor of The Sportsman newspaper to publish the programme and results of a bogus racemeeting at Trodmore, near St Ives in Cornwall. The syndicate backed only one of the fictitious winners, called Reaper, who was recorded as having started at 5-1.

Some bookmakers refused to pay out unless the results were published in The Sporting Life. A Mr Martin, the head of the syndicate, then rung the "Life" said he was speaking from Cornwall and managed to persuade them to reprint the results. However, the price of Reaper was then shown as 5-2 not 5-1. This caused an investigation and the police were brought in. The men were never caught, however, and as they appeared to have such an intimate knowledge of the workings of the press it was assumed that they were press in the start of the start of

The most recent famous recent the most recent tamous recent case was the Gay Future affair, which took place at Cartmel racecourse in 1975 and which became the subject of a highly entertaining television film called The Crack. The case went to come and set a recing recent place. The Crack. The case went to court and set a racing precedent: it left a jury to draw the line — previously drawn by Tattersalls committee, the stewards and the Jockey Club — between, as Mr Justice Caufield succinctly defined it, "the use of cunning in order to achieve maximum winnings and an agreement to defraud".

Tony Murphy and his Irish

defraud".

Tony Murphy and his Irish syndicate, the defendants in the Gay Future case, had, it seemed, overstepped the line — but only just. The judge said that the public at large had not been affected and that the dgree of disherent seements. dishonesty was although a conspiracy to defraud, very much at the bottom end of the scale.
The syndicate entered Gay



Jim Wilson and Little Owl: on their way to a Gold Cup triumph

Future in a small race at Cartmel, knowing he had the form to win easily, but they kept the horse in training in Ireland and sent a "double" to Antony Collin's stable at Troon a month before the race. This was necessary because the Jockey Club rules require a horse to be with a trainer 28 days before a race.

The horses were switched two days before the race, Tim Jones was substituted at the last minute for an unknown Scottish yder down to ride the horse and

for an unknown Scottish pider down to ride the horse and soapflakes were rubbed in Gay Future's flanks to make it appear as if he was sweating up in the parade ring. Collins entered two other horses, which never left his stables and which, he admitted, he never intended to run at Southwell and Plumpton, the same day, and the syndicate piled the money on. One third went on Gay Future, who won at 10-1, and the rest in doubles with the other two horses, non-runners which, two horses, non-runners which, under bookmakers rules, became single bets on Gay Future.

of the anti-post bets, do they simply involve the use of cunning or do they set out too defraud? The question is purely academic because to prove that a bookmaker had such knowledge would be impossible. What has been proved over the years, though, is the increasing application of their dictum "Though shalt not win". As in the Little Owl case punters may win the occasional battle but they can never hope to win the war. Unfortunately the case seems to have left racing in a grey area of the law. Mr Roger Gray, QC, summing up for the defence, said: "Things are done on the

Obs101-1 DANCING BIRG (D) (Mrs L Cay) T (Say 1-12-10 Mr T Clay T (Say 1-12-10 Mr T S Reynard 10-12-10 Mrs S Reynard T 10-240 Mrs S Reynard T 10-240

3.0 WILFRED JOHNSTONE CHASE (Hunters: £1,238: 2½m) (11)

3.30 WAVENDON HURDLE (Handicap: £1,886: 21/m) (16)

4.0 FEBRUARY HURDLE (Div it novices: £1,248; 2m) (18)

OUNCET CAMBION J Berry 5-11-0 J Hansen 7
ROMAN VIEW R Dods 5-11-0 J O'Mell
OOD THE MAS SECRET T Berries 5-11-0 M Blarnes
OCORNADORA Jewell 4-10-0 TUCK
CORNADORA Jewell 4-10-0 M Pepper 7
PAULINES PET R Robinson 4-10-0 M Pepper 7

3.15 TEVIOT CHASE (Handicap: £1,303: 21/m) (13)

Mr L Hudson 4
TWELIGHT B Wilkingon 7-11-11
CHANCE COMMAND P Calver 7-11-1 C Tinkler
DARLY SERENADE W A Stephenson 6-11-1

DARLY SERENADE W A Stephenson 8-11-1

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2 Twiffight, 3 Twice Times, 4 Darth Vader, 7 Stanwick Gold, 8 Mr. sty, 10 Chance Command, 16 others.

3140 LYNE HELL Swindfeburst 8-11-11

Mr D Swindfeburst 7

131 TIEA FANCY (CD) J S Wilson 6-11-6A Stringer 4

BIRTLEY BOY Mrs J Gledeon 6-11-1 Ruth Vergreseves 7

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Glodeon 6-11-1 (O'New

8-4 Tuls Eancy, 3 Geordie Lad, 5 Headmers, 7 Place Concorde, 8 Noble Whin, 10 Nest, 14 Lyne Mill, 20 others.

4.15 MAXTON HURDLE (Div III: Novices: £609: 2m)

7-2 River Sirena, 4 Lasobarry, 5 King Vulture, 6 Impus, 7 Easby Gold, 8 Border Brig, 10 What A Cosp., 14, Larry Bell, 20 others.

3.45 ANCRUM CHASE (Novices: £904: 3m) (16)

9001 MIRROR BOY (D) (N Whitcomb) H Price 5-11-5
905 ADMINISTRATOR (H C Neill H O'Neil 5-11-0
905 ALLADO (A Newma A Newma 6-11-0
93000/O: BREATHING EXERCISE (Exons of the late D Lennort) J O'Donc

010 CHAMPAGNE CHARLE (D) OH Thompson) P M Taylor 5-11-5 , S Keightley

7-4 Mirror Boy, 9-2 Champagne Charle, 6 Busting, 7 Pykastati, 5 Young Dusky,

1.45 (1.50) HEDDON HURDLE (Div I: 1988

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KNNSS SLORY br c, by Royal and Regal —
Dezzing Light (C Heard) 4-10-0 R G
Hughes (6-4 law)
Slicekey — Device (9-4)
Low Yide — R Rows (100-1

TOTE: Win 25p; places, 14p, 14, 36. Dus F: 32p. CSF: 47p. P. Mitchell, at Epson. 4l, 6l. Brogue (200-1) 4th. 12 ran. NR America.

2.15 (2.17) GOLDSTONE CHASE (Novice

APPLALTO br g by Lio Volante — Pomme Office N Carrott 8-11-5 A Webber (1-2 tay) 1 Drops O'Brandy — P Warner (7-2) Storm Prince — G McCourt (68-1)

TOTE: Win 12p; places, 12p, 11p. Dual F 18. CSF 24p. R Armytage, at East Datey. 2%I, 12l. Duko William (100-1) 4th 7 ran...

3.15 (3.18) FELCOURT CHASE (Handica

GALILEO b g, by Fantastic Light Miel Magoli (Miss & Thomson) 7-10-6 A

TOTE WWN: 51p. places: 15p, 22p dual forecast: 84p CSF: 22.66. R Armytage at East Baley, 5t, 10t. Another Duke (5-6 tav) 4th. 6

TOTE WIN: S3p. place: 14p, 15p, 12p dual lorscast: 38p, CSF: \$1.42. S Woodman at Chichester. 15t, 31. Achteigh Boy 100-30 fav. Summercore (16-1) 4th. 9 ran. NR: Whinney Bras, Manques.

4.15 (4.19) HEDDOK HURDLE (DIV R: novice £939: 2m)

JADE AND DIAMOND on g, by Bold Lad (PRE) — Tegleaze (C Freud) 4-10-0 C

TOTAL WIN: 62p. places: 14p, 72p, 29p. Dual torecast-71p. CSF: £1.61. D Elsworth at Fordiophridge. 21, 25d, leate (50-1) 4th. 12 ret. MP Beauter

TOTE DOUBLE End of Era & Mountain

TREBLE: Applato, Gallico & Jame And Dismond £12.85.

JACKPOT: £1,286.85.,PLACEPOT: £15.40.

Brown (9-1) | Urier.......M Herrington (9-4 tay) 2 ------A Wabber (14-1) 3

John Karter

The Latin connexion keeps Kent flying

and impressive winner from Marcellino at Nottingham and may just be good enough to rebuff Mirror Boy, who beat the recent Cheltenham winner, Sindebele at Lingfield, and Busting, a promising fourth to Du Maurier over the course.

The Park Handicap Chase has the distinct look of a bookmakers' benefit. Nevertheless, it could pay to side with The Herb, one of the most consistent jumpers around. The Herb must have given backers of the oddson News King severe heart palpitations when, admittedly in receipt of 2st, he ran Winter's brilliant two-miler to a head at Newbury. The Herb since fin-

imminent.

It is feared that this year's running of the National, on April 3, will be the last. But even if Lord Plummer and Mr Davies get together, there is no guarantee that a settlement will be made

Lord Plummer, recognizing the needs for private negotiation, will not comment on the latest situation. But the fact that the

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Derek Kent, whose name will always be linked with that marvellous steeplechaser, Grand Canyon, is the sort of man who rises to a new challenge in the same way that Grand Canyon used to take his fences — eagerly and fearlessly. Kent, who trains at Funtingdon, near Chichester, is off to Hongkong in June after 12 years successfully churning out winners on the Flat and over jumps here.

The reason he is going is not dissatisfaction with English racing, far from it. He is keeping on his Chichester yard, which will be run by his stable jockey, Peter Haynes, and he intends to pop back between May and September when there is no racing out East.

Kent made a name for himself when he pioneered the importation of New Zealand horses a few years ago. Now he has found another distant but lucrative source of equine talents — Chile. Jugador, whom be bought there, has won him 10 races, and today Kent runs another latin leaper, Esal Condor, in the first division of the February Novices Hardle at Kempton Park. The five-year-old had finished second twice in big fields at Wincanton, to Skeheens and Loan Charge respectively, and Kent believes that he is now fully acclimatized and ready to vin.

The danger must be the newcomer, Al Kuwait, who was a useful if slightly unreliable stayer when trained by John Sutcliffe on the Flat. Now with Fred Winter, he has apparently shown plenty of promise over hurdles at home. His lack of experience, though, may just tip the scales against him.

Winter runs Young Dusky, who has shown ability in bumpers races in Ireland, in the second division of the Novices' race. Preference here, though, is for one or two others, notably Champagne Charlie, who failed to because the bookmakers would not take his bets.

All this is legitimate business practice by bookmakers seeking to maximise their winnings. But what about a bookmaker who creates a false favourite of manipulates the odds in some other way to suit his book on a race? Or when a bookmaker takes ante-post bets on a horse knowing that it will not run in the race and the punter will lose his stake? Such things are certainly not unknown to matter how much the fraterpity may deny it. But, and it seems particularly relevant in the case of the anti-post bets, do they simply involve the use of cunning

race. Preference here, though, is for one or two others, notably Champagne Charlie, who failed to justify heavy ground at Warwick recently. Previously, he had been and impressive winner from Marcelling at Northingham and

Newbury. The Herb since fin-ished third to Tower Moss, one of today's rivals here, and is 3lb worse off, but the last named has since run disappointingly at Windsor.

National talks give rise to optimism Reports, that a meeting has

been arranged between the Levy
Board Chairman, Lord Plummer,
and Bill Davies, the owner of
Aintree, may not mean that an
announcement about the future
of the Grand National is
imminent.

stronger and the trace that the two men are to meet gives rise to optimism that the 1982 Grand National will not be the last. There are likely to be many hours of negotiation before any announcement can be made. STATE OF GOING: Kempton Park: Good o soft, Kelso: Good. Tomorrow, Wisherby:

Motoring by Peter Waymark

The Norwegian skid control

Those motorists, and there must have been many, who found it difficult to keep their grip on the icy roads a few weeks back, may wonder why Britain does not follow the example of Norway and include skid control in the

driving test.
Even if the extreme weather we suffered does not occur very often, it is still worth knowing how to cope with emergencies and the number of drivers who have been formally instructed in how to correct a skid must be very small.

In this and other areas the

Norwegian approach to learner drivers is a particlar-ly interesting one. It is based on the proposition, supported by research in several countries, that it takes five to seven years to master the art of driving and that inexperienced drivers are more often involved in accidents than

experienced ones.
To meet the point, the Norwegian driving test was redesigned in 1979 and now consists of two parts. In phase one the learner driver undergoes basic instruction (the Norwegian authorities recommend approximately 55 hours) before taking two tests, one theoretical and the other on the road. Candidates passing both tests are given a probationary licence valid for

two vears. During that time they are allowed to drive unaccom-panied, but after a minimum period of one year they have to go through three further types of instruction before a permanent licence can be granted. One concerns theoretical work in the classroom, another driving in the dark and the third driving on ice, which includes tuition on a skid

Probationers who do not come up to standard can have the permanent licence re-fused by the driving instruc-tor, although there is a right of appeal to the ministry of transport. If the permanent licence is not obtained during the two years, the candidate loses his interim licence and the process must start again.

Phase two is virtually selffinancing, because the extra instruction (four hours in each of the three cases) is provided by driving schools which charge fees for it. The

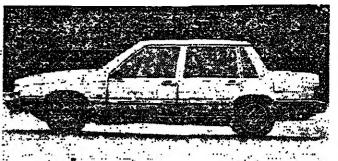
government has, however, helped to pay for 20 new driver training centres, with skid pans, which have been established since the ex-tended test was introduced. Under the old system, Norwegian driving licences had to be renewed every 10 years. Now the licence is. yalid, subject to medical examinations every 10 years until the age of 73, after which a medical has to be

whether the revised test has had the desired effect but the structure does seem to be sensibly based and perhaps contains lessons for other countries, not least our own. The British driving test has

remained .more or less unduced in 1935. Every now and ngain some Minister of Transport takes a fresh look at it but invariably the verdict is that the test is effective and that changes would be difficult and expensive to implement.

Nor is the Department of

Transport impressed by the idea that skid control should become part of driving instruction. "We are satisfied with the test as it is", the



GLE saloon, announced this week in Sweden. Powered by a 2.8 little petrol engine and, later, a 2.3 little diesel, it will be launched in Britain in June. The car will initially be an addition to the range, though in the longer term it is expected to replace the 200 Series.

able to answer questions on bow to control a skid in the verbal part of the test.

Audi 80 CD Before this decade is out,

Before this decade is out, the biggest car made in Europe apart from small number of luxury and performance models could be about the size of a Ford Cortina with a 2 litre engine as its top power unit. At the same time, it will have the comfort and refinement associated with today's "execu-tive" cars and almost as much space. It could be not dissimilar from the new flagship of the Audi 80 range,

Apart from size for the sake of it, a car like the 80 CD surely offers almost everything a discriminating everything a discriminating motorist wants; good handling and performance, low noise levels, a high standard of finish and the sort of features "big" cars are expected to have, from a sunroof to power steering, central locking, electric windows and alloy wheels. The only flaw in the argument is that it has a big car. ment is that it has a big car price as well, £7,956, putting it just ahead of the new Rover 2000.

The CD uses the five cylinder 1921 cc engine which had its first application in the Audi Coupe. Audi's idea in going for the unusual number of cylinders was to achieve the smooth-ness of a "six" without a resulting fuel penalty. Certainly, this unit is most civilized, hardly raising its civilized, bardly raising its voice above a whisper wven under hard driving. On the motorway, the top (fifth) gear cuts engine speed to 2,600 rpm at 70 mph and what mechanical noise there is becomes drowmed by the wind, not that it is intrusive.

Developing 115 bhp, the engine provides acceptably

there is good pulling power in fourth gear, fifth being an overdrive for steady speed cruising. The claimed maximum is 113 mph.

Fifth gear is marked E, for economy, and has been given a high ratio to save fuel. Another aid to economical driving is an "econometer", a gauge related to throttle openings; the harder you drive, the higher the needle goes, and vice versa. The third inducement to economize is a small yellow arrow which lights up on the dashboard when it is time to select a higher gear.

For all this help, not to mention the aerodynamic front air dam, the actual consumption of the car

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department said this week, proved a shade disappointing. though adding that candidates were expected to be town and, in spite of extensive use of the fifth gear, 30mpg on the open road. It is difficult to agree with the manufacturer's asertion that "most owners should be able to achieve 35 mpg overall'.

As a car to drive the Audi

As a car to drive, the Audi is enjoyable if you want to press on, and reasuringly safe.

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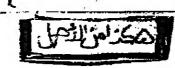
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4.20 Captain Caveman: cartoon.

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4.30 Think Again: The seven ages of Johnny

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8.00 Feme is the Spur: Part five. Polling day in the by-election. But wouldn't Arnold's victory actually be Hamer's?

8.50 Points of View: with Barry Took and a selection of viewers' letters.

9.00 News with John Simpson. And weather prospects for the weekend The European Ice Figure Skating Championships: The Ice Dance

> Christopher Dean are the centre of attraction. They are attempting to retain the European title which they won last year. They already hold the world lille. It is likely

Championship, from Lyons, in France. In the free dance, Britain's Jayne Torvill and

that, in the competition's final stage, the two champions could be joined by another two British couples, Karen Barber and

Nicky Stater, and Wendy Sessions and Stephen Williams. There is also coverage of the short programme in the Ladies' event.

The British champion, Debbie Cottrill has

presides. And his team tonight consists of Joyce Grenfell, Robin Ray and Bernard

the island of Crete, with Anthony Quinn as the volatile Greek who re-shapes the

character of a quiet British writer. Ends at

Tong: Out of Step (BBC 2, 9.30) panel made up entirely of

* @ ZORBA THE GREEK (BBC 1.

10.50) was Anthony Quinn's finest

hour. The trouble was, of course,

that it proved to be an hour without

end because — give or take the odd gesture and vocal mannerism

— every subsequent role Mr Quinn has played has been Zorba Revisited. I am always ready to

revisit Cacoyannis's film again, not only to wonder at Mr Quinn's elemental Greek, but also to enjoy

Theodorakis, to be moved by the taded familiasies of Madame Hortense (Lilia Kedrova in a

performance she has never equalled) and admire the harsh

and-white camerawork which

deserved an Oscar, and got one. FRIDAY NIGHT ... SATURDAY

MORNING (BBC 2, 11.30) has a

Levin. The guest is Hanryk Szeryng (r).

her eyes on a medal.

Albert Welling and Jaqueline

10.15 Face the Music: Joseph Cooper again

10.45 News headlines. And weather forecast.

10.50 Film: Zorba the Greek* (1965) Life-saluting Michael Cacoyannis drama, set on

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4.30 Flying High: History of aviation in the West. Final film in the

5.40 Film: Sheriock Holmes and the Spider Woman* (1944). The super sleuth and his bumbling companion versus a dreaded adversary (Gale Sondergaard). With Basil Rathbone, Nigel

6.40 Heroes: Dr Miriam Stoppard's idols include Grace Darling and

7.10 Oxford Road Show: Live, from

7.55 In the Country: Angela Rippon and Tony Soper on St Micheal's Mount in Cornwall.

8.25 Newsweek: What can the West do about Poland's shattered economy? Keith Kyle reports.

9.00 Little Ginny Sings Country: From the Snape Maltings, in Sussex, A concert by the diminutive Londoner, Also

taking part is the 1960s pop star Lorne Gibson, still busy

balkroom dancer with a serious

drink problem, Albert Welling plays her dancing partner and Gillian Raine plays their

9.30 Playhouse: Out of Step. Carol

Bunyan' drama stars Jacqueline Tong as the

10.35 Cartoon: Diogenes, Perhaps. was made in Yugoslavia.

10.45 Newsnight: Comment and news bulletins:

11.30 Friday Night . . . Saturday Morning. The master of ceremonies is Professor Laurie

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4.15 Dangermouse: British-made cartoon serial; 4.30 Razzmatazz: Pop music show, with Gary Numan and Dance Class.

5.45 News; 6.00 The Six O'Clock Show: Current Affairs with a light touch. With Michael Aspel and Janet Street-Porter, Fred Housego looks after the traffic reports and local news is presented by Rita Carter and

Hawaii Five-O: Drama about a troublesome widow and a missing girl. With Jack Lord as the private eye (r).

8.30 Shine on Harvey Moon: Harvey (Kenneth Cranham) Invites his son's teacher (Fiona Victory) out to dinner and his wife Rita (Maggie Steed) is beaten up.

9.00 The Gentle Touch: Police drama series. Two women live logether. One of them (Sheila White) has leukaemia and has not

long to live. She asks her friend (Fion Walker) to put an end to her suffering

10.30 Bizarre: The comedy show from the United

11.00 The London Programme: The Breakdown Business. A special investigation into some of the unsatisfactory practices that are

have to seek assistance from vehicle recovery firms. Some of them are

12.05 Paris By Night: Life in the French capital at the turn of the century.

motoring organizations.

12.30 Close: With Quentin Crisp'.

wordsmiths (see programme details given above). Fortunately, it has in Professor Laurie Taylor an MC who, Spoken word highlights: Two

to reverse that policy, with resultant 3.02); John Cruickshank's profile of

Musical highlights on radio:
Brahms's third symphony, played by the BBC Scottish, under George
Mortimer; Glenda Jackson a

11.35 Soap: American comedy series.

States that is too remorselessly American, for the tastes of many people over here.

adopted when cars break down and drivers

"cowboys" and leave cars in a dangerous condition. It's a programme that makes out

a good case for joining one of the reputable

record programme Anything for a Laugh (Radio 2, 10.30pm); and .

Hollywood-inspired songs in Robert Cushman's Book, Music and Lyrics

w spoken word ngringris: I wo first-rate radio actors, John Le Mesurier and Elizabeth Bett in Dawn Lowe-Watson's Afternoon Theatre play SHORT MADNESS, about a widowed schoolmaster's friendship with the woman next door (Radio 4,

Albert Camus (Radio 4, 4.15) and ANY QUESTIONS? (Radio 4, 8.30)

Rawtinson. The questioners are the good people of Pulborough, in West Sussex.

WHAT THE SYMBOLS MEAN: † STEPED * BLACK AND WHITE: (1) REPEAT.

which fields the strong team of

10.00 News from ITN.

Reluctantly she forges prescription for two bottles of powerful sleeping pills. Jill Gascoine plays Detective Inspector Maggie

nuclear-powered plane. With Dawn Addams, Sidney James, Wilfred Brambell, 12.27 My Word!† Jukes of Piccadilly: Comedy thriller serial. Final episode of The Case of the Arabian Kidnap. With Nigel Hawthome (r); 5.15 Square One; The Joe Brown board game, With Tim Brooke Taylor and Floella

Margaret Forster (10). 5.00 PM; News magazine. 7.00 Family Fortunes: The Jones's from Swansea (I) play the Farestvedis from Barton-le-Clay, Beds. 7.05 The Archers. 7.20 Pick of the Week.†

7.20 Pick of the West of the August of the Augustians? With Lord Rewinson, Malcolm Muggaridge, John Mortimer and Glende Jackson.

6.00 News Briefing.
6.10 Faming Today.
6.30 Today.
8.35 Yesterday in Parliament.
2.00 News.
9.05 Desert Island Discs. Casteway: Paul McCartney.
9.45 Feedback. Your views on 98C TV and Radio. Presented by Tom Vernos.
10.00 News. Drury Lane.

9.59 Weather.

10.00 The World Tonight.

10.35 Week Ending.†

11.00 A Book at Bedtime: "Portrait of the Artist as a Young Man" by James Joyce (15).

11.15 The Financial World Tonight.

11.30 Today in Parliament.

11.45 John Ehdon delves into the 10.00 News.
10.02 International Assignment.
10.03 Daily Service.
10.45 Morning Story: "The Bridge", by H. E. Bates. The reader is 12.00 News. Stakey Dixon. 11.00 News.
11.05 Great Families of Britain. A series of radio portraits (3) The Noble House of Howard.
11.50 Bird of the Week: The great st. 12.00 News. 2.02 You and Yours. 12.27 My endu:
12.55 Weather.
1.00 The World at One.
1.40 The Archers.
2.00 News.
2.02 Wornsh's Hour. Includes the recollections of a royal pastry chaf, Colin Alderson.
3.00 Meass. 6.55 Weather. 7.00 News. 7.05 Morning Concert. Roy Harss. Chabrier, Turina; records.† 8.05 Morning Concert (continued) Bach, Liszt, Haydn; records.†

3.00 News.
3.02 Play "Short Madness" by Dswn Lowe-Watson. With John le Mesurier and Elizabeth Bell.†
4.05 Poetry Pleasel†
4.15 Modern French Writers (2) Albert Camus.
4.45 Story Time: "Marital Rites" by Mergaret Forster (10). 5.00 PM: News magazine.
5.55 Weather.
6.00 News and Finanacial Report.
6.30 Going Places. The travel and transport scene.
7.00 News.

anon., Ludwig Senfi, anon., Thomas Stolzer, Senfi, Isaac, Roger Marsh.† 12.15 Midday Concert direct from the Henry Wood Half, Glasgow, Part 1: Mozart, Hummel.† 1.00 News.
1.05 Interlude.
1.20 Midday Concert. Part 2:
Brahms (Symphony No. 3).†
2.05 Cello and Piano. Recital:
Stravinsky, Martinu, Debus

9.15 Letter from America.
9.30 Kaleidoscope, Includes an Item on the Dame Edna Everadge Show at the Theatre Royal, Drury Land.

38C Sound Archives.

Radio 3

9.00 News. 9.05 This Week's Composers. Albi-

nom and Marcello, records.†

9.45 Melos Quartet of Stuttgart.
Recital Mendelssohn, Shosta-

konch, Schubert.†
11.20 Very Old and Very New.
Concert: anon., Arvo Part,

11.15-Brian Matthew. 12.00 Round Midnight and Weather from midnight 1,00cm Truckers' Hour.† 2.00-5.00 You and the Night und the Music.† 3.25 Mahleri and Prokofiev, Con cert.†
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4.55 News.; 5.00 Mainly: for Pleasure with Joe Ruley.† 6.55 Play if Again, Preview.

7.00 Shelius on record. Incidental music to Pelleas et Mélisande.†
7.30 Songs | by Faure, Wolf and Strauss. Song recital direct from tiae Broadcasturg Centre, Burmingham. Part 1 Faure.† 11.45 John Ebdon delves into the VHP: 6.25 Weather, 9.05 For Schools, 10.30 Lister, With Mother, 11.00 For Schools, 2.00 For Schools, 5.50 PM (continued), 11.00 Study On 4 Burningham. Part 1 Faure.; 8.05 Poetry Now. New poetry readings. The reader is Alan Brownschn.; 8.25 Songs: by Faure, Wolf and Strauss. Part 2; Wolf, Strauss.;

8.25 Songs by Faure, Wolf end Strausa. Part 2: Wolf, Strausa.†

9.15 The Micment of the Flying Fish. Short istory by Jack Trevor Story. The reader is Martyn Read.

9.30 Copland and Gershwin. Concert. She Copland work is A Lincolas Portrait, and the Gershwin work is the Symphonic: Portrait. Porgy and Bess, arranged by Robert Russell Bennett.†

10.15 Book, Music and Lyrics a personal view of musicals by Robert Cushman "Hollywood" with oxiginal cast recordings.†

11.00 News.!

11.05 Verzations by Satie; record. Played: by Michel Dalberto.†

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Radio 2 5.00am Ray Moore.† 7.30 Terry Wogan.† 10.00 Jimmy Young.† 12.00 Gloria Humilcord.† 2.00pm Ed Stewart.† 4.00 David Hamilton.† 5.45 News and Sport.† 6.00 John Dunn.† 8:00 Sequence Time.† 8.45 Friday Hight is Music Night.† 10.00 Listen to Les, 10.30 Arrything for a Laugh.

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7.0-7.30 Heddiw. 7.30-8.0 Pobol Y
Cwm. 10.15-11.5 News. 11.6-12.40 Film: The
Lost Conlinent (Eric Porter). Scotland
11.0-11.22 For Schools: 12.55-10
News. 3.20-3.55 Closedown. 6.0-6.22
Reporting Scotland. 10.15-10.45
Goodbye Mr. Kent. 10.45-10.50 News.
1.15 News. Northern Ireland 11.011.22 Closedown. 12.57-1.0 News.
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10.15-10.45 Spotlight. 10.45-10.50
News. 1.15 News. England 6.0-6.22
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Weekend: Midlands — Know Your
Place; North — Politics North; North
East — Coast to Coast; North West
— Home Ground; South — The
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— Down the Club; Weel — Newsroom
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As Thames except: 1.20-1.30 TVS
News. 2.45-4.15 Film: They-Might Be
Giants (1972) (Joenne Woodwerd and
George C Scottl. 5.15 Watch This
Space. . 5.30-5.46 Coast to Coast.
6.00 Coast to Coast. 6.30-7.00 Friday
Sportshow. 7.30-8.30 The Fall Guy,
11.00 Film: Dr Blood's Coffin (1961)
(Kleron Moore, Hazel Court) 12.40 are
Company.

ANGLIA

As London except: 1.20 pm-1.30 News. 2.45-4.15 Film: Appointment a prize Englins cow, from an island. 11.00 Members Only. 11.20 Film: hight visitor (Max Von Sydow, Trave Howard), man wrongly incarcensied an asylum escapes to murder those who are responsible for putting, him there. 1.25 H's All in The Opera. **HTV WEST**

As London except: 11.50-12.00 Cartoon 1.20-1.30 News 2.45-4.15 Film: Devil on Horseback '(Google Withers, John McCallum) Downfall of an ambilious jockey, 5.15-5.45 Bensor 6.00 News 6.30-7.00 Mr and Mrs 6.00 News 6.30-7.00 Mr and Mr. 7.30-8.30 Fall Guy 10.28 News 10.30 Bood Neighbour Show 11.00 Film: Gentlemen Prefer Blondes (Jane Russell, Marthyn Morroe), Girls sall for Europe to find rich husbands. 12.40

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SCOTTISH As London except: 1.20 pm-1.30
News. 2.45-4.15 Film: Man Without a
Country. Thriller set aboard an
American nevel ship in 1820. 5.15
Emmerdale Farm. 6.00 Scotland
Today. 6.25 Sports Extra. 6.45-7.00
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10.30 Ways and Means. 11.00
Bizarre. 11.30 Late Call. 11.35 Streets
of San Francisco. 12.30 Closedown.

CHANNEL

As London except: 11:25 am-12.00 As London except: 11.20 mm-12.00 Look and See. 1.20 pm-1.30 News. 2.45-4.15 Film: Green Grow the Rushes (Richard Burton, Honor dischman) Two civil servents by to curb smuggling. 5.15-5.45 Emmerde Eng. 6.25-7.4 Farm. 6.00 Channel Report. 9.33-7.90 All That Jazz. 7.30-8.30 Hart to Hart. 10.28 News. 10.35 Aujourd'hui en France. 10.40 Mysterious Tales. 10.45 Three's Company. 11.15 Film; The Cat (Jenn Gabin) Ageing couple's hate is as strong as their love once was. 12.45 am Closedown. CENTRAL

As London except: 1.20pm-1.30 News. 2.45 Film: Old Man Who Cried Wolf (Edward G.Robinson). An old man sets his triend beaten to death but the poice do, not believe him. 4.10-4.15 Windows. 6.00-7.00 News. 7.30-8.30 Fall Guy Quee Majors). 11.00 News. 11.05 Film: Hishoween Night (Donald Pleasence; Jamie Lee Curlis). 12.55am Barney Miller, 1.25 Closedowr.

ULSTER

As London Except: 1.20 pm-1.30 Lunchtime, 2:45-4.15 Film: Where the Bullets Fly. St itish fighter planes are torced to show at down one of their own aircraft. 5.15; Hear, Here. 5.30-5.45 Good Evening Utster, 6.00 Good Evening Utster, 6.00 Good Evening Utst pr. 6.30-7.00 Officent Strokes. 7.3 5-8.30 Fall Guy. 10.30 Witness. 10. 35 Gloria Plus: Conversation I. music and

nt. 11.35 Bedtime. TYNE TEES

As London except: 9.25 am Good Word. 9.30-91.35 News. 1.20 pm-1.30 News, Lookagound. 2.45-4.15 Film: The Arsenal Stadium Mystery (Leske Banks). Scotland Yard is called in to investigate the murder of a footballer.*
6.00 News. IS.02 Sportstime, 6.307.00 Northern Life. 7.30-8.30 Fall
Guy. 10.30 News. 10.32 From Here to
Elemity, parti 3, 12.20 pm Poet a
Corner. 12.25 Closedows.

BORDER As London except: 1.20 pm News. 2.45 Film: Wansiow Boy (Robert Donat, Margaret Lejinton) Naval cadet's life seems ruines; when he is charged with thaft. 6.00 Lirokaround, 5.39-7.00 That's Hollygood, 7.30-8.30 Fall Guy.

10.30 Take the Mick. 11.00 Bizarre. 11.30 News., 11.33 Closedown.

TSW

As London except: 1.20 prp-1.30 News, 2.45-4.15 Film: Green Grow the Rushes (Richard Burton, Honor Processing the process of the control of the control of the carrying on their traditional occupation, snuggling, 5, 15-5,45. Emmerdale Farm, 5,03 What's Ahead. 7,30-8,30 Hart to Hart, 10,35. Processors 10,40 Mediatrium Tales. Postscript 10.40 Mysterious Tales. 10.45 Three's Company, 11.15 Film: The Cat. Ageing couple's hate is as strong as their live cince tras. 12.45am Closedown.

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As London except: 1.20 p.m-1.20 News. 2.45 Film: They Might Be Gignts (George C. Scott) lawyer lacing caunts (George C. Scott! lawyer techno an emotional crisis smagines he is Sheriock Holmes and retreats into a private lantasy world, 6.60 Calendar, 6.30-7.00 Sport, 7.30-8.30 Fall Guy, 11.00 Film: Killer With Two Faceo (len Hendry, Dorma Mills) Charming and handsome killer meets a pretty gst. 12.25 am Closedown.

GRAMPIAN

As London except: Starts 9.00 am-9.30 First Thing, 1.20-1.30 News. 2.45-4.15 Film: Mister Jericho (Patrick Macnes, Connie Stevens) Correctly thriller about an international connean, 6,00-7.00 North Tonight, 7.30-2.50 Fall Guy, 10.30 Points North, 11.30 Streets of San Francisco, 12.25 News, 12.20 Characteristics.

GRANADA

As Thames except 11.45 sm-12.00 Wattoo, Wattoo. 1.20 pm Granada Reports. 1.30 Exchange Flags. 2.00 Take The 19th Road, 5,00 Kich Off. 6.30-7.00 Granada Reports, 7,50-8,50 Fa8 Guy: 11.00 Week On Friday. 11.30 Film: Pink Telephone (Mirelile Darc, Pierre Mondy) Pompous industrialist halls in love with a Call-girl. 1.15 am Closedon

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Fears of unrest keep Warsaw University shut

From Roger Boyes, Warsaw, Feb 4

A fresh sign of official anxiety about popular unrest came today when Warsaw University remained shut, despite published plans to begin formal classes for undergraduates. Some students, however, returned to the camous and artended special meetings during which lecturers read out the new strict regulations on university life.

The students were then obliged to sign a document stating that they had heard and understood the regulations. which amongst other things pravide for expulsion for political activity. Unofficial reports say that a number of student leaders have been interned over the past few weeks, including some that have had no association with Solidarity or NZS, the inde-

pendent student union.
Mr Jerzy Urban, the Government spokesman, said in an interview that marrial law restrictions had been rightened up in a Wroclaw college since a recent demonstration by

In Gdnask too there are persistent reports of continu-ing student discontent—and much tighter university regulamuch tighter university regula-tions since Saturday's demon-stration. A traveller recently returned from the city said that as many as 9,000 were involved in the demonstration and that the attack by riotpolice was spurred by agents provocateurs in the crowd who shouted "Reagan, Reagan!" Significantly the new adminis-trative head of Gdansk is an Army officer, General Mieczy-

slaw Cygnon.
Church sources say that Father Hendryk Jaworski, the priest of Mr Lech Walsea's parish in Gdnask, was denied access to the Solidarity leader when he tried to visit him to discuss the name of his newly horn child [Mrs Danuta born child. [Mrs Danuta Walesa gave birth to a baby girl, their seventh child, on January 27, AP reports]. This is the second time in recent days that the authorities have blocked church contact with Mr Walesa.

There are a number of possible explanations being mooted. The first is that Mr Walesa hay have loeen moved from house-arrest in Konstan-tin to a Miinistry of the Interior building in the centre of Warsaw and that the authorities want to avoid pub-licizing the fact. There is no way of testing this theory.

The second possible explanaofficial status is now that of an interned prisoner and that he is no longer under the vaguer conditions of house arrest.

The final-and for the Church, far more disturbing explanation — is that the Government may have grown suspicious of church contacts with Mr Walesa, knowing that sometimes messages are passed, through informal church channels, between members of the Solidarity membership.

The Government spokesman said today that Mr. Walesa had been holding "questing conversations" with Mr. Josef Ciusek, Minister for Trade Union Affairs, about the future of the trade union anovement. In an interview with The Times, Mr Urban said that a

concept of trade union struc-ture was still being worked out ture was still being worked out by the Government, but he gave some chues as to how the new "Solidarity" will be organized. There might well, he said, be a move away from the regional structure that characterized the old Soli-darity. This had allowed con-siderable power to regional siderable power to regional buted to the divisions -and in the Government view-to the radical postures of the union. Instead, there might well be a return to unions that; grouped certain industries.

□ Brussels: A credit squeeze on the Soviet Union now seem inevitable. France made the difficult decision today to allow the EEC to recommend higher charges for Russian export credits negotiated negotiated through the OECD.



A warm welcome from the Pope as his fellow countryman, Mgr Jozef Glemp, Primate of Poland, arrives at the Vatican for talks on the situation in Poland. (Report, page 9.)

Yard lost £5,000 taken from prisoner

arrest in 1978. The money has never been found despite an internal inquiry.

Scotland Yard refused to make good the loss until the man threatened them with legal action. Now he is to receive the full amount, £5,443, and a further £1,670 in

The money disappeared after Mr Thomas Naylor, a film maker, of Chelsea, west London, was arrested by Customs and police officers en drugs

By Stewart Tendler, Crime Reporter Scotland Yard has admitted charges. He was taken to a claim and the amount of cash losing more than £5,000 con- west London police station in our possession."

The police said at the time that there must have been a The police said at the time that there must have been a mistake when the money was first counted, but an investigation was carried out by officers from the Yard's Completing Investigation Bureau who submitted a report to the Director of Public Prosecutions. where 130,000 in Cash was seized.

In July 1979 Mr Naylor, who is in his 40s, pleaded guilty at Inner London Crown Court to smuggling 108, kilos of cannabis resin from Amsterdam. He was sentenced to three years in prison but the court ordered that his money should be returned in him, and most of it was.

Scotland Yard told The Times: "At the conclusion of proceedings against Mr Naylor there, was a difference of opinion between Mr Naylor's entered in the fiftes.

The report, presented in the middle of 1980, concluded that there was no evidence that the money had been stoten but mistakes could have been middle the mistakes could have been stoten but have counted and

The case was closed in June. 1980 and Scotland Yard said: "The report was sent to the DPP who decided there was insufficient evidence to insti-rute proceedings against any police officer. The inquiry revealed discrepancies in the documentation of money actually taken.

Mr Naytor was told the result of the inquiry by the DPP in October, 1980, but the

Yard continued to refuse to pay anything back. Late last year Mr Naylor instituted civil proceedings in the High Court and the Yard capacitated after taking courses's advice.

Frank Johnson in the Commons

Mum's the word in the House and at home

Mir Lewis Carter Jones, one of the diministring mun-ber of salt of the earth figures on the Labour beaches, complained yester-day about the inadequacy of the Government's three new experimental nursing homes for old people in diverse parts of the country. It's just a soportifit", he assured the

It was the sort of inter-

rendon, made late, in the strendon, made late, in the strendon during a rather gentle and drowsy delate of the plight of elderly people, that, always causes the mind pleasantly to wander. Did he pleasantly to wander. Did he mean the experimental musing homes was just a sup?
Had he misplaced the word
palitative?? Was he under
the impression that "soporific" meant "palitative?? (The mistake is easily made.)
Did he not have the falitative.
Idea what either word meant
or andeed what he was make
ing about? Or was the word
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obosen—conveying, as it did,
the possibility that it might
be extremely horing to live
in one of these experimental
mirsing homes? On balance,
one should accept the last
explanation.

Mir Carter-Iones's remark

explanation.

Mr Carter-Jones's remark happened when he intervened in the speech of Mr Norman Fowler, the secretary for social services. It was the speech's highlight. For Mr Fowler, though he is able and kitted out with a good brain, and is all the other things which people, say about young ministers, he is sometimes—how should one phrase this without giving him offence?—just a little pulliacive.

that Latin-based filtit. Notton short and Anglo-Szon,
though, as a ruling by the
Speaker made clear. In the
debate on sex shops on Wednesday evening, the Lahour
left-winger Mr Reg Race had
spoken in fluent Anglo-Saxon
when quoting from the prospectus of one of these

emporis. In a ruling at the end of question time yesterday, the Speaker, Mr George Thomas, said that he would always regard the term used the previous evening as "unparliamentary" "None of us would use it in our own homes," he added.

One shares the general admiration for Mr Speaker Thomas, but is compelled to observe that this, last observation was peculiarly trelevant. The fact that none of us would use it in our

of us would use it in our own homes has nothing to do with whether a word is suitable for us in Parliament. There are plenty of words used in Parliament which MPs would not use in their Or at least we must assume that MPs do not lounge around their own homes shouring out "order, order", or "resign" or "withdraw". O at least we must assume that only a few members of strange and unusual castes do

Moreover, was the Speaker entirely right in thinking than no members would use the word in their own homes? Member of fith, leads one naturally to the contemporary theatre. Toby Jessel (Twickenham, Con), in asking Mr Francis Pym (Leader of the House) to arrange for a de-Prancis Pym (Leader of the House) to arrange for a dehaue soon on the arta explained: There is a very great interest in the arts. More people now go to the theatre than to football marches. The thought occurred that perhaps these theatrescers were the former football goers. Was Mr. Jessel wise to be so pleased? Is it not true that people behave badly at football, that they sing Anglo-Sainn songs and chant accustions of unnatural vice against players of whom they disapprove? ohrase time him offence?—just and the palitacive.

'Mr Carter-Jones's case demonstrated once again that on of whom they disapprove? The whole MPs should stick. Mr Pym spreed there to short Anglo-Saxon words invold be a deltate but was instead of too much of wary of welcoming this that Latin-based fillfith Not alleged Thespian hysteriatos short and Anglo-Saxon. Mr Jessel had opened up though as a ruling by the a vista of fights between processing made clear. In the RSC and pro-National gaugs, shoots on Wedchants of Oscar Wilde's a queer and other unpleasant fit was clear that Mr be facing poses: It was clear that Mr Pyn, would som be facing calls for a debate on theatre hooliganism.

THE TIMES INFORMATION SERVICE

Today's events

Exhibitions

Scottish Young Contempor-ries, Aberdeen Art Gallery, ichoolishi, Aberdeen, 10 to 5. Lincoinshire at work, Victorian

and Edwardian pibotographs, Museum of Liucoin side Life, Burton Road, Liucoin, 10 to 5.30. Arrogant Connoisseur; Richard Payne Knight, 1751-17324, Whit-worth Art Gallery, University of Manchester, 10 to 5. Thousands of pictures—millions

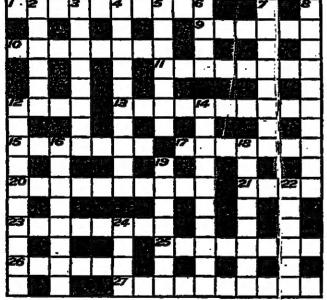
5 Source a writer might dip into

7 Anna is to transperse music

6 Time is up, too (4).

bingo centre (10).

The Times Crossword No 15,748



- 1 Musicians striking? (10). 9 Rird found mineral oil mixture in it (6).
- 10 Star provided for Missing Letter"? (8). 11 Surprising amount of money for fruit, perhaps (8).
- 12 Yield to court expert, say (4). 13 Whereby characters are screened in Latvia (10).
- 15 Confounded axe-head struck heavily (7).
- 17 Immediate tick? (7). 20 Dish cooked by Maclean (n.b.g.) (10).
- 21 Husky fare for Fingal's dog 23 Call about the kiln - it's
- very hot (8). friendly spirit? (8). 26 Infantryman should be part of
- the foot (6). 27 Lear's little dog a darling (10).

- 2 Letters written in direction of
- 3 Top politician's home draughts, we hear (8). 4 Cricketers' side, including Rex, left behind by aircraft (10).
 - Prize Crossword in the Times tomorrow

of miles, photographs by Freddie Reed, National Centre of Photo-graphy, Octagon, Milson Street, Bath, 10 to 4.45. Bath, 10 to 4.45.

Twenty years of work by Vladimir Mayakovsky, Fruit Market Gallery, 29 Market Street, Edinburgh, 10 to 5.30.

Faintings and drawings by Harold Gilman, 1876-1919, Birmingham Museum and Art Gallery, Birmingham, 10 to 5.30.

Talke Jectures Talks, lectures

Roman wall painting, by Patsy Vanags, 11.30; and Chinese ex-pressionist painters of the seven-teenth and eighteenth centuries, 1.15; British Museum. Music and painting (1): Kan-dinsky, by James Maipas, Tare Gallery, I. high priest, by Colin Wiggins, National Gallery, 1.

Last chance to see Last chance to see
Poussin and his engravers,
University Art Gallery, Portland
Building, University of Notringham, 10 to 7.
Primts and watercolours by
Michael Callimore, Anthony
Davies and John Macfarlane, St.
Paul's Gallery, St. Paul's Street,
Leeds, 10 to 5.
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Youth Orchestra, St Edmundsbury Cathedral, Bury St Edmunds,
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chamber music recital, Saltram
House, Plymouth, 8.

The papers

The Daily Mail comments today that the train drivers' strike has one cheerful aspect, the resourceful way in which communers have responding to the challenge of having no trains. Some rise before the postman, some share vehicles, while others have rediscovered the charms of the hicycle. "As a result, the travelling public is winning: it is those who work in British Rail who struct to lose."

The Daily Express, writing on the findings of the latest Mori public opinion poll, notes that an increasing number of people are expecting the economy to improve, although 40 per cent still think it will get worse. "The indices are all moving in the Government's factor ", it says, with the election not likely to be held until the spring of 1934 Mrs. Thatcher has pleuty of time in hand to swing it."

8 Duke set spring fashion round 12 Room can supply wine (10). 14 Millionaire gives Br enda £5-it needs changing (10).

possibly (8). 19 Play some chess? (3,4). 22 Sportsman gets point of view right (6).

24 Mischief-makers prat one in Parliament today the chemist (4). Solution of Puzzle N o 15.747

Commons (5.30): Private Members' Bills: Planning Inquiries (Attendance of Public) Bill and Death Gram Increase Bill, second

Sporting fixtures Football: Fourth division, Crewe v Blackpool (7.30) Racing: Meetings at Kelso (1.15) and Kempton Park (1.30)

Sport on TV EBC 1: The Superstars, Fer-guson men's championship: 9.25, European ice figure skating championships. BBC 2: 5.0, World skiing

championships, men's

Travel today

Pre-recorded travel information on Traveline Rail: 01-246 8030; koad: 01-246 8031; Sea: 01-246 8032; Air: 01-246 8033.

Rail

British Rail expects to operate normal services today on commuter and Inter-City routes after the Asief drivers' strike yesterday and Wednesday. First train from King's Cross to Edinburgh at 8 am and to Aberdeen at 12 noon. Some cancellations on Newcastle-Liverpool cross-Peunine service via Manchester.

Manchester Gaiwick - Brighton service running up to Burningham only, but alternative arrangements made. Eastern Region travellers to the North-east and Edinburgh must expect delays because of landslip at Grantham.

Refunds able to claim extensions or re-funds for the days of the train drivers strikes, British Rail said

orivers sprices, british has each yesterday. Weekly season ticket holders will be able to claim refunds only, but for longer period tickets either option is available, through the ticket office where the season was bought. office where the season was bought.
Claims for refunds or extensions for the Sunday strikes will be approved if the traveller makes a statement that he would have travelled on a Sunday.

Air and sea A work-to-rule strike by French

customs agents spread to virtually all French border posts and international airports yesterday, causing long lines and some flight delays. At Calais, truck drivers exasperated over lengthy waits used their rigs to block the terminal entrances to England-bound Channel ferries.

Because of Scalink dispute, no Newhaven / Dieppe ferries

Rozdworks

Roadworks
Scotland: A95: West High
Street, Inverurie, Abertleenshire,
major repairs. M9: All traffic,
staring one carriageway at junction 10 (Stirling). A93: Sewerwork is in hand along Dundee.
Road, Perth, temporary signals
operate 24 hours.
North: A59: Temporary signals at Skipton, Yorkshire, delays.
A5117: Temporary traffic lights
operating between Hapsford and
Dunkirk, north of Crester.
Information supplied by the AA.

Anniversaries today

Robert Peel was born in Bury. Lancasidre, 1788; John Lindley, botaulst, at Catton, Northumber-land, 1799; Dwight Moody, evangelist; in East Northfield, Massachuseurs, 1837. Thomas Car-lyle died in London, 1881.

Vegetable praces

Cauliflowers are excellent value this weekend at 30p to 50p a pound, and good buys are carrois. Savoy caibbage, leeks and turnips. Greek and Spanish cucumbers are dear at 50p to 75p cach. Apples are not cheap, but there is a wide choice of varieties. Cape dessert rumms are reasonably priced.

Top box office films

The top 10 films in London:

Arthur Body Heat Fort Apache, The Bronx Gallipoli Lady Chatterley's Lover The French Lieutenant's

Ghost Story. Rich and Famous An American Werewolf . In London The Woman Next Door

top five in the provinces: Hot Bubble Guin ville Horror

4 Midnight Express/McVicar

5 -Lady Chatterley's Lover

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Auctions today

Caristie's, King Street: fine Continental pictures of the nine-result and twentieth centuries, 11. Caristie's, South Kensington: printed books, atlases and maps, 10.30; old and modern silver, 2. Phillips, Bienhelm Street: Silver and gold boxes, 11. Sotheby's, Boast Street: carpets, 10; modern prims, 10.30 and 2.30.

Bond winners

Winners of £10,000 prizes to the February Premium Bond prize draw are: 68Z .780367 (winger lives in Essex): 10LT 956493 (Berkshire); 23RB 071975 (West Yorkshire); 20VL 767056 (Lincolnshire); 19WZ 644836 (Morwich).

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of Man: Rather cloudy and mostly dry;
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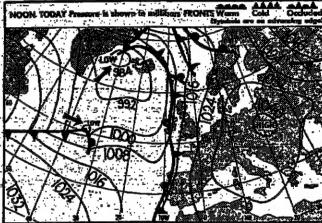
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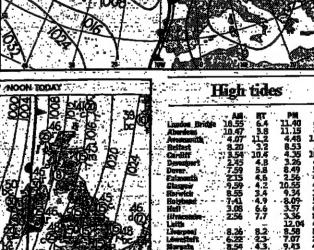
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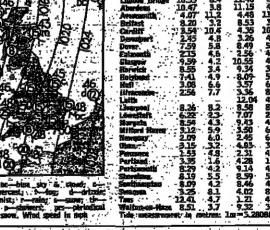
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